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HISTORY and ADVENTURES

Of the RENOWNED

DON QUIXOTE.

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EDMUND GAYTON, Esq., In the Year 1654.

Revised, with ALTERATIONS and ADDITIONS, and adapted to the modern Translations of that celebrated Work.

To which is now added, a Corrous

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By JOHN POTTER.

—— Lusus animo debent aliquando dari, Ad cogitandum melior ut redeat sibi.

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THE following Book, was first published in the Year 1654, by EDMUND GAYTON, Efq. More is not expressed in the title page, nor have . I ever been able to learn who he was. Considering the age in which he lived, I think I may venture to pronounce him an Author of no inconsiderable merit. That he was a known, and an esteemed writer, is hardly to be doubted, when we consider the names prefixed to nine complimentary copies of verses, published before the work. \He certainly was a man of fense, a scholar, and a wit: Perfectly acquainted with the follies and vices of the times; which he frequently fatirizes with infinite pleafantry and humour.

His reading feems to have been universal; though not more extensive than his knowledge of men, manners, and A 3 opinions.

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opinions. He was a great punster, and though his jokes are sometimes low, they are peculiar and ingenious, bearing strong marks of originality. It must be confessed, indeed, that he is frequently indelicate, but I hope the reader will perceive, that I have carefully cleansed the Augean stable.

His language is verbose, and his meaning frequently obscure; however, I have endeavoured to render him familiar; and indeed, that was all I aimed at by this publication. I have expunged such notes as I thought trisling, or from their allusion to things totally forgotten, incapable of being rendered intelligent to the present age; and have taken the liberty of enlarging such as I imagined were deserving of improvement; with the addition of a few new ones.

The reader may probably expect that these notes are critical, and tend either to censure, or elucidate the celebrated history

ADVERTISEMENT. vii history of Don Quixote. Should this be the case, his expectation will be disappointed; for they are principally, nothing more, than entertaining and witty remarks, on various passages; and incidents in that history; frequently illustrated by laughable stories, similar to

those incidents.

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The book was originally printed in a small folio, and, I believe, never underwent a second edition; nor, do I imagine, that many of them are now extant. Whatever may be thought of this attempt, to restore an author, almost funk into oblivion, it is hoped, at least, that it will not be considered in a ridiculous light; or, meet with the severity of unjust censure. We have a kind of veneration for the works of our forefathers; and I am greatly mistaken, if he is not an Author worthy preservation. The editor, therefore, hopes, that the reader, and the critics, will do him that justice he is intitled to; more his vanity does not lead him to expect, but,

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In tenui labor. I should here take leave of the reader, were it not necessary, to take notice of a passage in the Critical Reviewers remarks on the first edition of this work.*

In their comment on the preface, they fay, "We must, in justice to the editor, "acknowledge this to be a very fair "account of his publication. "Gayton appears to have been a great " punster, and to have been well fur-"nished with common-place stories. " After all, as we never had the happi-" ness of seeing the original publication, " we cannot pronounce any thing posi-" tively, as to the editor's fidelity; but " fome anachronisms make us question it. Mention is made more than once, " of the Royal Society; and the Philo-"fophical Transactions, neither of which " had any existence in 1654; and even Sally Salisbury, a noted courtezan in

^{*} See the Review for Sept. 1768.

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"the reign of George the first, is cou"pled with Jane Shore. Mr. Holland,
"the player, is introduced in the part
"of Bajazet, in Tamerlane; and Pyr"rbus, in the Distrest Mother; nor are
"Elizabeth Canning, nor the Cock"Lane ghost forgot."

In answer to this, the editor, in justice to himself, begs leave to observe, that where he enlarged the notes, he did not think it improper, to allude to incidents, and occurrences, of a later date than those recorded by Mr. Gayton, in the original work. And it was imagined, the authenticity of its being originally written and published by Mr. Gayton, in 1654, would have been indifputable, as it was mentioned in the preface to the first edition, that the book was frequently quoted by Dr. Grey, in his notes on Hudibrass; to which work, they are refered, should they still sufpect the editor's fidelity.

J. P.

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N.B. The texts are taken from the third edition, in twelves, of Dr. Smollett's translation; and are numbered. The first, refers to the page in Smollett's, from whence they are taken; the second, to the page where the same passage may be found in Mr. Farvis's translation, edition 4th; not but the texts may be casily found in Motteux, &c. &c. so that this book-is a necessary fifth volume, to all the translations of Don Quixote; and being printed in the same size, with all the editions of that work in twelves, may be bound with it. As there was no index to the original, the editor thought it necessary to add one, in order to affift the reader, in the more readily finding the many stories, and curious passages in this book.

The Substance of Mr. GAYTON'S original

READER,

DOOKS of Knight-errantry, like the Knights themselves, expect entertainment wherever they come: 1 Don Quivote imagined he obliged every place that received him, and thought his landlords indebted to him for his acceptance of their courtesies. His stay was not long in a place, and his pay the sport he made. The castle had its security for a reckoning, and protection for the bill of fare. His hofts were created constables, his hostesses countesses, and their daughters ladies, for the benevolence of night-caps and flippers: oftlers were dubbed grooms, boot-catchers squires, and tapsters yeomen of the cellar. Thus by acts of grace, and conferring honours, he defrayed the expences of travelling.

He adventures now, as heretofore, with the same confidence of welcome. A known guest need not invitation; reception is all he expects; look but pleafantly, and smile upon him, it is the only feast he desires. But Sancho Panza is more humble and solicitous for favours: he begs to be tossed from band to band; and will be very thankful if you will put him in your pocket. His ass is for every one to ride, the more the merrier; if you give him stable room it is well, he wants not provender.

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TEXT.

In a certain corner of La Mancha, the name of which I do not choose to remember.) Page 1.—1.

HY Cervantes (the celebrated author of this history) purposely omitted the name of the place where this Knight of samous memory lived, is easily understood; for by this artful omission, he gave those gentlemen who are curious about trisles, an important subject for enquiry and disputation. The place of Homer's birth is still a challenge upon record; and the head of Nile being undiscovered, has puzzled many a one to find it out.

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There lately lived one of those country gentlemen, who adorn their halls with a rusty lance and wormeaten target.) P. 1.—1.

This description agrees with the custom of decorating halls in ancient mansion-houses in this country, some centuries ago, where the armour of our valiant ancestors made a most terrific and tremendous appearance, and inspired the rising generation with a love and esteem for deeds of heroism; at the same time that it commanded respect from ignorance and vulgar minds, who considered it as a kind of witch-crast, and dangerous even to be touched; like the scassfolds on the ancient church of St. Paul, which were lest for a long time monumentally standing, before any one would venture to take them down.

He maintained a female house-keeper turned of forty, a niece of about half that age, and a trusty young fellow.) P. 3.—2.

The Don's family was like that in Noah's ark, two and two, male and female. But we do not read that he ever augmented the number, and that is wonderful, fince it is imagined he was but one remove from the Austrian family; or at least, of the race of the Jews, as appears by his errantry (which word is by some interpreted wandering) and it was, and yet is, lawful for them to match within their tribes.

An early rifer, and in point of exercise another Nimrod,) P. 3 .- 2.

The learned in natural philosophy, have imagined the Don's great continence and chastity was owing to his early rising and fondness for hunting. He was a dedicated vasfal to Diana.

Otia si tollas periere Cupidinis arcus.

Hunting spears and javelins, are not of Cupid's quiver.

He fold many good acres of Terra-Firma, to purchase books of knight-errantry) P. 3.-2.

So he made his lands errant before himself, and dubbed his acres first; what he did afterwards was in pursuance of his lands, which went before, hoping by these means to make himself a wife-acre. However, let not the English reader laugh at the Spaniard. The Don's passion for knight-errantry was not more ridiculous than our countrymens infatuation with the bubble of Alchymy. If Quixote fold his lands to purchase books of Chivalry, we have fold our estates, and beggared posterity, in our fruitless researches after the Philosopher's Stone. What quantities of gold have been fired? out of whose ashes the young Phænix never yet took her flight! And here

I cannot avoid remarking, that though no author ever excelled the inimitable satire of Cervantes, on the madness and folly of his countrymen, in their absurd passion of knighterrantry, yet, I think it will be acknowledged, that the celebrated Ben Johnson, with equal merit, and equal success, finely ridiculed and exposed the folly and roguery of the pretenders to Alchymy in his days: Nor do I know which is most laughable, Don Quixote's encountering the wind-mill, or Sir Epicure Mammon's credulity and pleasurable enjoyment of the lies imposed on him by Subtle and Face*.

He could not comprehend the probability of those direful wounds, given and received by Don Bellianis.) P. 4.—3.

Quixote did not appear to be so deeply affected with the account of the blows which Bellianis gave and took, as a poor Butcher of our country was, who being at the representation of a play called The Greeks and Trojans, and seeing Hestor overpowered by myrmidons, leaped upon the stage, and with his bludgeon took the Trojans part so valiantly, that he routed the Greeks, and abused them for a company of cowardly slaves, to assault one man with so much odds; and then took such

^{*} See the Alchymist, a Comedy, by B. Johnson.

a fancy to Hettor, that for a long time he could not obtain leave to be killed, that the play might go on; for the vanquished myrmidons would not venture to enter again, till Hettor prevailed on his unexpected second to quit the stage, and return to his seat from whence he came.

Divers and obstinate were the disputes he maintained against the parson of the parish (a man of some learning, who had taken his degrees at Siguenza) on that puzzling question, whether Palmerin of England, or Amadis de Gaul, was the most illustrious knight-errant?) P. 4.—3.

The best comment on the Don's ridiculous disputes with the parson, is the following story:

As two Oxonians were walking together, complaining bitterly of their want of money, one of them started a supposition; "If we "should find a purse of gold," says he, "how shall we divide it?" They were, you are to understand, of different degrees, one master of arts, the other only batchelor of arts. The master, like the lion in the fable, insisted on having the greatest part. The other said no, simul occupantes equè dividentes. The master would not give up his privilege of seniority; the batchelor insisted on his title to half. The dispute grew high, and at

last ended in an obstinate battle. When they were heartily tired with the blows they had given each other, they desisted, and began to examine minutely into the ground of their quarrel; and when they came to understand that it was only about the division of a purse of gold not yet found, they shook hands and were friends, and returned home very lovingly to college.

He observed that Cid Ruydias was an excellent Knight; but not equal to the Lord of the Flaming-Sword, who, with one back-stroke, had cut two sierce and monstrous giants through the middle. P. 5.—4.

But what would the Don have faid, had he known some of our British adventurers? the Knight of the spouting-pestle; or the Knight of the burning-pestle, who carried all the ladies before him; or Bevis of Southampton; Guy earl of Warwick, or that cripple-errant of samous memory, who stole the golden weather-cock from Paul's steeple. This was the highest piece of desperate valour ever attempted; but his piety is as notorious as his facrilege, for with the same weather-cock he built the church, which to this day retains his name.

Accordingly, after having chosen, rejected, amended, tortured, and revolved a world of names in his imagination, he fixed upon Rozinante. P. 7.-6.

This is a proof, undoubtedly, that Quixote was no inconsiderable scholar. He chose by figure to name his Bucephalus; and by a husteron proteron (or, as we say in English, putting the cart before the horse) he succeeded very happily in the title, which in English does not found fo pompoufly as in Spanish; not but it will do indifferently well; Latpackafad being in fense the same, though not in found, with Rozinante.

He determined to call her Dulcinea del Tobofo, she being a native of that place.) P. 9. -8.

Aldonza Lorenco strangely anagrammatized! Therefore, in contemptum anagrammaticorum, Dulcinea del Toboso, stands for Aldonza Lorenco. As the French never regard the quantity of fyllables, fo the Spaniards pay little attention to the transposition of letters; which brings to remembrance the following short story:

Don Gondamore (who was Quixote's countryman) was talking in the Latin tongue to king James, who spoke Latin very correctly. Gondamore spoke it so badly, that the king defired him to spare Priscian's head for the

future.

future. The Don replied, "May it please "your majesty, I speak Latin free, and with-"out rule, but you speak it like a school-"master."

CHAP. II.

He recollected that he had never been knighted. P. 10.—8.

THIS was a terrible stroke, and enough to have crushed our cock of the game in the egg. In this direful dilemma, it would have been happy for the Don (and much to the advantage of those editions of his history which have cuts) if it had entered into his head to have fallen on his knees to Rezinante (who formerly was a horse of goodly carriage;) the brute could have done no less than bounded immediately, and laid his hoofs upon his master's helmet, which would have done the business; and the Don for ever after might have stilled himself of the Equestrian order of knight-hood.

With respect to the white armour. P. 10 .- 9.

One misfortune seldom comes alone. Once out, ever out. Before the Don was able to extricate himself from his first difficulty, viz. his not having been knighted, up starts a second as perplexing as the other; this was the

want of white armour! Happy would it have been, if a chalk-hill had been near; it would have whitened him and Rozinante into the bargain.

The first Knights that ever were heard of in white armour, and on white horses, were (as I take it) Caftor and Pollux; who, though they never shine together in the Heavens, yet in one great battle, wherein the Romans got the victory, they were discovered to come into the field, and do wonderful execution, and then vanish to their orbs in the Heavens: And ever fince, those mares that faw their white horses, have had colts with stars in their foreheads. This is a secret piece of natural history never published before, and well worthy the consideration of that learned and respectable body of men, the Royal Society; nay, I think the least they can do, is to admit me a member for this piece of intelligence, and dignify my name with those honourable letters F. R. S.

These, and other such rhapsodies, he strung together.) P. 12.—10.

These kind of soliloquies, or self-discourses, are every where to be met with, though they are more generally seen than heard. What man do you meet alone, but if he is thoughtful, his eyes, lips, and hands, go as fast as

his feet? Were we to observe the several postures of passengers in the streets, we might, after a little attention, know most mens thoughts by the motion of their lips, and discover their intentions by the signs in their faces. Such agreeable indications every face doth betray, that in spight of the verse we may say, fronti summa sides, every man's passions are written on his forehead; and if the fair-sex did not envelope their beautiful faces so much as they do, with the ornaments of their head-dress, much more might be known than they would willingly have discovered.

Recorded in the annals of La Mancha. P. 12.—11.

The annals of the *Mancha*, are in as large a folio as those of *Gotham*, and are kept in very safe custody; few travellers having seen them, that ever I heard of. A fight of them is esteemed a great favour, and is obtained with difficulty now, unless you are recommended by some great personage, or produce certificates from the family of we be three, who are of the quorum always.

He decried, not far from the road, an inn, which he looked upon as the star that would guide him to the porch, if not the palace, of his redemption:

demption: In this hope he put spurs to his horse, and just in the twilight reached the gate, where, at that time, there happened to be two ladies of the game, who being on their journey to Seville, with the carriers, had chanced to take up their night's lodging in this place.) P. 12.—11.

Though our Don was not yet created a knight-errant, it is more than probable these semales were lady-errants, and had devices in their targets, for very different adventures than ever entered into his head. Had the Don's foresight been as quick as Rozinante's, he might have seen at a mile's distance, that they were a couple of over-ridden hackneys.

Their standing at the inn door, was a sign of themselves as well as the house; and that though they were bound for Seville, that their behaviour was not such.

He drew bridle, and stopt Rozinante. P. 13.—11.

The horse was eager to go on, which shews, that a beast knows when he is weary or hungry, better than his rider. These voluntary offerings to approach the inn door, were natural symptoms in the creature of an appetite, or longing for limb-ease and toothmotion. He was for a way bit, and not a bit of way more. Whereupon, the Don apprehended

prehended Rozinante's intention (for knighterrants do, or should, understand all languages, whether vocal or natural) and taking pity on the croakings of his empty guts, to which his own fympathetically answered, he spurred up to the inn door; which item Rozinante took the more patiently, as he was within the comfortable smell of provender. But, O mischance! just as the poor beast expected to arrive at the goal of his happiness, a curfed fwineherd, who, in a field hard by was tending a drove of hogs, chanced to blow his horn; in order to collect his scattered subjects: This was an unlucky circumstance to Rozinante, for his master imagined it to be the found of a trumpet from the battlements of the castle (for such he supposed the inn was) to welcome his arrival; and feeing the damfels run away on his approach, he did not venture to difmount and go in, till he had first made a speech, in which he defired them not to be apprehensive of danger, and professed a great friendship for them, though he had never feen them before. This speech poor Rozinante was forced to hear, before he could be conducted to a stable, though it came from a head as empty as his own belly.

But Don Quixote guessing their terror by their slight, lifted up his paste-board vizard, and discovering his meagre lanthorn jaws, befineared with dust.) P. 13.—12.

This foldier-like visage of the Don's brought the ladies to a stand. Venus did not so much despise Vulcan for his lame leg, as she was enainoured with Mars for his manlike countenance; which brings to remembrance, the smart reply of a lady, whose opinion was asked concerning a very beautiful young gentleman, and particularly how she liked his sace; to which she answered, what signifies the sace? a Venus's sace, and Mars's valour, never met together in the same person."

And the valour of this arm testify the desire I feel of being your slave.) P. 16.—14.

The valour of his arm, was not the offering the damfels expected he would have made them; but being disappointed, they were determined to sport with him, as he was not inclined to sport with them.

CHAP. III.

Harrassed by this reflection, he abridged his forry meal.) P. 18.—16.

A thirst of honour make a man forego? Here it almost made Quixote lose his share of the Poor-John. So many a noble duke Humphryan (for honour-sake, merely because he would not beg) has manfully walked in St. James's Park, from twelve to three, in contempt of three-penny ordinaries; wondering at the gluttony of the age, and scheming so to habituate nature, that by degrees, she might need no other sustenance than the Camælion. But the greatest wits of every age have generally been very slender feeders, or rather have had but slender fare to feed on.

The inn-keeper hearing fuch discourse proceed from the mouth of his guest, who kneeled before him, was astonished.) P. 18.—16.

Pride, fometime or other, will have a fall. These high thoughts of the Don's, brought him on his knees, but very probably on an easy cushion, for it was in the stable. It was well the Don was the votary, and mine Host the idol; for had the latter been on his knees, not all the horses in the stable would have been able to have drawn him up again;

for the history informs us, that he was not a little over-burdened with an unwieldly belly. The integrity of the historian has been greatly suspected, as to the circumstance of mine host's bulk; for most travellers have declared, that a fat man in Spain is feldom, if ever, met with. But as this history has stood the test of ages, I am willing to acquit Cervantes of the imputation of falsehood; and, indeed, it is my duty to do so, when I consider myfelf a commentator. I therefore would obferve to the curious reader, that as mine host was a commark of St. Lucar's, and as great a thief as Cacus (for so we are told by Cervantes) his magnitude is not to be wondered at, especially if we suppose that he pilfered for the belly, and not like the fon of Vulcan, stole cattle; and in my opinion, it is as easy to suppose this, as any thing else.

The landlord, who, as we have already obferved, was a fort of a wag. P. 19.—16.

It is common for landlords to be knavishly witty; their wit being a kind of cloak for their roguery. We pass over an imposition in the reckoning more easily, when we reflect on the humour of the host. There is a kind of letchery in neat and ingenious cozenage: It frequently meets with applause, and sometimes finds mercy even before a

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judge! Whoever has travelled much, must have remarked, that, every master of an inn is always of the same temper with his guest. If you are a knight-errant, so is he; if you are a gentleman, so is he; or the son of a gentleman; if you are a soldier, he loves a soldier, and very probably was one: In short, they are the verriest apes in the world, and generally bonii socii, and very sossas ; like guests, like landlord.

The hoft, would in the morning, with God's permission, perform all the other ceremonies required.) P. 20.—18.

It is concluded that the Don shall be dubbed a Knight, and the time fixed. This order of Knight-errantry, is very ancient. When there were but three persons in the world, one was of the order. For after Cain had killed his brother Abel, he became a fugitive, and a vagabond over the whole earth; a larger extent than Quixote's peregrinations.

The inn-keeper affured him that he was very much mistaken.) P. 20.—18.

When mine host found that the Don had no money about him, like most other land-lords, he discovered himself to be of that wise and provident house of the Jagas; where this maxim is intailed upon the family, not

to be cut off under an anathema of the prime parent. My fon, put money in thy purfe, is a good adage for most men, especially travellers, and more so for horsemen, as many, for want of paying respect to this frugal principle, have been reduced to footmen, and have left their horses behind them, where their heads have swelled a great deal bigger than their bodies; or at least, till they could not be brought out at the door of the stable.

A small box of continent to cure the wounds they might receive in the course of their adventures. P. 21.—18.

It is imagined that the fword-falve, or unguentum armarium, was invented by these
Knight-errants, who having neither money,
friends, or wit (except what was imaginary)
and frequently meeting with obstinate landlords, who broke their heads for the nonpayment of their reckonings; they wisely
contrived this subtle cure, and anointed their
swords with it prior to an engagement; so
that a wound and a remedy came with the
same stroke, if happily their antagonists were
possess of this miraculous balsam of balsams.

Carrying bags was not much for the honour of Knight-errantry.) P. 21.—19.

This quaint device of the wallet, has been put in practice in more plentiful countries than that of the Don's. Many covetous gentlemen have in this manner conveyed provender for themselves and their horses too; and for the fake of dispatch, have made choice of a grass-plat for a baiting place, where one table ferved the rational and irrational creatures, without the least distinction or referve.

But the wifest scheme in the world is sometimes overthrown by a trifling blunder. So it once happened to a Knight of the Wallet, who being obliged, contrary to inclination, to bait at an inn, his provender being exhausted (for the device of the wallet is but a shift for a day) he ordered his servant to put up the remains of some mutton for a future feast, taking it for granted that he must pay for what they had not ate, as well as for what they had ate; whereupon the over-provident flave, thinking to oblige his mafter in a high degree, put the foup into the cloakbag, as well as the meat, and so made a full adage of parfimony. The proverb was here finely versified, which fays, all covet, all lofe.

And thereupon received orders to watch his armour, in a large court, on one side of the inn.) P. 22.-19.

The Don became dragon to his own arms; though he was more like a dragon in them, than than out of them; and to fay the truth, he was in this fituation, not unlike St. George and the dragon too. What cannot poets and painters do?

Hellen had been a hag, and Troy had stood.

And now, reader, before we go any further, accept of a story.

An inn-keeper once bargained with a painter for a fign, which was to be that of St. George and the dragon; but most earnestly and often (even to the interruption of the work) begged the painter to be mindful, and draw the dragon with a most killing countenance; and being perpetually renewing this request, the painter became provoked, and said to mine host, "be quiet, and leave your counsel, or the devil take my wife, if I do not make the dragon kill St. George;" which so frightened the poor landlord, that he took to his heels, and ran away faster than he would have done, if the dragon had been behind him.

With his eyes fixed upon his armour.) P. 22.—19.

Such kind of looks, probably, did Ajax cast upon the armour of Achilles. And the Don's

Don's speech to the carrier, when he approached the cistern to water his mules, was not unlike what Ulysses made before the assembled Greeks. It has been a matter of great wonder, that the Don did not honour his arms with a speech, or some pious ejaculation, before he began his watch over them. Cervantes seems to have hurried over this part of the history too precipitately. Taking it for granted, therefore, that there is something left out touching this matter, I shall fill up the hiatus with a speech, which the reader may (if he pleases) suppose the Don to have made, when he sirst laid his arms upon the cistern.

Most great and venerable arms, lye there!
Alass! how happy would it prove for me,
Did my poor deeds but equal your resplendence.

It cannot be the moon which shines so bright!

O, no—it is the glory you restect;

By whose resulgence, lo! I envied walk
(Stranger to sear) as in the blaze of day!
You on a sacred altar now repose:

O may you sleep in peace! I am your priest,
And be affured, by me you are fanctified.
Whoever does approach your shrine too near,
Shall meet resentment, and my dire revenge;
For you are dear, as well as near, to me.
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When you my body compass round about, I then become to dangers more than proof: Secure in you, I am invulnerable!

Nor dread I ought from fiends or giants wrath.

Now you are off, you are secure in me. On you, depends my more than mortal fate; None shall profane the altar where you rest: Forewarned, forearmed—who dares intrude shall die.

He quitted his target, and raifing his lance with both hands, bestowed it with such good will upon the carrier's head, that he fell prostrate on the ground, so effectually mauled, that, had the blow been repeated, there would have been no occasion to call a surgeon) P. 23.—20.

The Don was successful in this enterprize, and like Cæsar came and overcame. Though the place of the deseat was rather ignoble, it being (as we may say) in the horse-trough; yet the manner of the sally was gallant, for it was upon a sull career. There lay the poor carrier, a monument of desperate unwariness, slat upon the ground; where also lay the Don's noli me tangere, which he took up, not much unlike Æneas frighted.

Arma amens cepit, nec sat rationis in Armis.

It was not long before another carrier, not knowing what had happened to his companion.)
P. 23.—20.

Felix quem faciunt aliena pericula cautum. It is necessary for all professions to have a little smack in the accedens. But the carriers were like their mules, not easily put out of their way. The second shared the same fate as the first. Great honour in this encounter was done to Dulcinea, who twice provoked, twice was propitious to her votary and lord.

The companions of the wounded seeing how their friends had been handled, began, at a distance, to discharge a shower of stones upon the Knight, who, as well as he could, sheltered himself under his shield. P. 24.—21.

Ne Hercules contra duos. The Don out did the proverb, and was an Hyper-Hercules; for I do not remember, of all the labours of Hercules, that he ever encountered a shower of hail-stones. Here Quixote shewed undaunted courage, and extraordinary activity. Bearing his target on the end of his javelin, he sheltered himself very dexterously, and encountered the stones, which shew about his ears as thick as atoms.

As they are prescribed in the ceremonial of the order.) P. 25.—22.

The installation, or rather installation, of this knight-errant, differed widely from the ceremony of the Knights of the Garter, the Golden Fleece, or those of Malta. The Don, indeed, might have been installed, as it was so near to the stable. This creation of the Don's, resembled those of the Ranters and Hectors of old, as the wenches attended; for their rites and customs were never fully executed, without the assistance of ladies, for carnelevation.

Muttering all the time between his teeth, as if he had been employed in some fervent ejaculation.) P. 25.—23.

I wonder the words of consecration were not expressed in the history: But it is probable, the host could not read in any book but that in which he kept the account of his provender. If the host had been honest, and kept his book literally just, Rozinante was certainly dubbed at the same time with his master. However, when we recollect the canonization of Raviliack's dagger; or, the benediction of Faulks's dark lanthorn, it must be allowed, that these ultra-marine ceremonies were extraordinary and singular. The

creation being over, the ladies expected (as is usual) some recreation, and thought they had a right to be more nominally dubbed; but the Don's impatience to fally forth, made him rather remiss in his civility; however, the carriers supplied the Don's want of courtesy, not having exhausted all their courage in the late engagement.

CHAP. IV.

But remembering his landlord's advice, with regard to the necessaries he ought to carry along with him, in particular the money and clean shirts, he resolved to return to his own house, and furnish himself, not only with these, but also with a Squire P. 27.—24.

JERBUM Sapiento Satum. Application is the life of doctrine: Wherefore the Don (not such a fool as some have imagined) faced about, and determined to go home; for though he had never heard of the reply made to King James*, yet no doubt his apprehensive soul had sound out, that there was somewhat warmer than two shirts. After much

^{*} This hints at a flory of King James, who faid, in cold weather, "By my foul, there is nothing "warmer than two shirts;" but was answered, that three were.

deliberation (which is best before great refolves) he concluded, it would be best to provide himself with money and linen, for the use of travelling; which prudent resolution pleased Rozinante, who tript merrily homewards, hoping to meet with better provision than picking a common sallad, and grazing gratis like geese.

And having entered the wood a few paces, he found a mare tied to one oak, and a lad about fifteen, naked from the waift upwards, made fast to another.) P. 28.—25.

If Rozinante had not been a gelding, or stallion super-annuate, he might have committed a piece of horse-errantry, which would have exalted the Don, and doubtless have caused a new frontispiece to the history, in which his master might have been cut a story higher. A brewer's horse (in old times) performing an act of grace of this sort, first gave rise to the tilting of beer.

The Don's views (if he really had any) were more charitable; he meant to take pity on the boy, whose merciless master had tied him to the oak, in order to chastise his negligence. But when he attempted to settle the account of wages between them, he was

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rather an unfit umpire, confidering how he had quitted fcores with his hoft.

And thus was the grievance redressed by the valiant Don Quixote, who transported with the success, &c.) P. 31.—28.

The Don was transported, with having, as he thought, released the boy from a flogging bout; and no sooner was his back turned, but the boy was also transported to the oak again, where he underwent a fecond, and feverer punishment. Had a painter been on the spot, to have drawn the faces of the Don and the boy, they would have made no bad portraits of Democritus and Heraclitus; but dicitur infecta re rediisse donum. The Don's imaginary happiness and exultation, was like the man who fell asleep in the empty theatre, and dreaming of the passages in the play, stampt, laughed, clapped, and hissed, as if the actors were really on the stage: Vacuo sessor plausorque theatro.

He found himself in a road that divided into four paths, and strait his imagination suggested those cross-ways that were wont to perplex knighternants in their choice.) P. 32.—29.

We knew before, that the Don was neither overwise, weatherwise, or penny-wise, and we now find he was not way-wife; though in this quadry-way, a more valiant man might have been at a stand, for here was four to one.

Let the whole universe cease to move, if the whole universe refuses to confess, that there is not in the whole universe, a more beautiful damsel than the peerless Dulcinea del Toboso, the high and mighty empress of La Mancha. P. 33.—29.

This is the first challenge and proclamation of the lady's beauty. The Don will be here found a cryer in good earnest. It was a piece of madness in him, to proclaim her beauty and excellence to a company of merchants; for they are a fort of gentry, who generally carry money in their pockets, to purchase what they have a mind for: They are too absolute, to be content with only idolizing their enamoratas. Go no farther than Gyges, for the naked truth of this.

The importance of my demand confiss in your believing, acknowledging, affirming upon oath, and defending her beauty before you have seen it. P. 33.—30.

Most legally inforced. To have, hold, occupy, and enjoy, &c. lawyer like. But if the Toledo merchants were as knowing as D 2 those

those of London, they doubtless wanted to see the commodity before they purchased. They were not for a pig in a poke; two words to the bargain. Ignoti nulla cupido. Give me the merchants judgments, not their leavings. But the Don was at his sic velo, sic jubeo; Dulcinea must be adored at all events; and doubtless, if the merchants had been blessed with a sight of her, they would have fell on their knees; not to worship her, but in undissembled prayer, to have begged of heaven for deliverance from such a sight for ever after.

Replied Don Quixote in a rage. P. 34.-31:

The conclusion of the merchant's speech left such a sting in the tail, that the Don was nettled; and had Rozinante's courage been equal to his master's, the merchants would doubtless have paid very dearly for their joking. But, O dire misfortune! he spurred his Bucephalus so violently, that the beast, in endeavouring to make an effort beyond his strength, found himself unequal to the task, and therefore made a vigorous—tumble; not only of himself, but his master, whose fall was neither so great, nor yet so glorious, as Phaeton's, for when he fell, the world was on fire. Floundering on the ground he lay, groping

groping like Polypheme without his eye. Happy would it have been, if, like Ulysses, he could have hid himself amongst the muttons, he then might have slept in a whole skin; not but his skin was hole-ly, before the merchants mule-driver had half vented his passion on him.

CHAP. V.

He was fain to have recourse to his usual remedy, which was to amuse his imagination with some passages of the books he had read; and his madness immediately recalled to his memory that of Valdovinos, and the Marquis of Mantua, when Carloto left him wounded on the mountain.)
P. 35.—33.

THIS poetical refuge of the Don's, was not so ridiculous as many have imagined, especially as it was the only one he could take. It has been frequently thought a piece of physical wisdom, to evaporate grief, by shaking the diaphragma; or, in other words, storming one passion with another. He endeavoured to relieve his mind from the recollection of a dry basting, by imagining it an honourable defeat, atchieved in the pursuance of some heroic design; and the miscarriage, as well as his bruises, he attributed to the

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fault and failure of his horse. It was enough to have damped his high spirits, and to have extinguished this infant history, if he too fenfibly, or too literally, had commented on the bastinado. The loss of his lance was a terrible stroke, it must be confessed; and though it only stuck emblematically on his fides, yet the fractures went to his heart. He that hath read Seneca, or Boethius, is well provided against any ordinary misfortune; and to have by heart the story of Argalus and Parthenia; the dolorous madrigals of old Plangus in the Arcadia; or the history of Pyramus and Thisbe, is a never failing remedy for the mubble-fubbles: For to be acquainted with fadness, besets familiarity, and familiars never kill one another, unless the devil is in them.

Sedatur lachrymis, egeriturque dolor.

Signor Quixada, said he (for so he was called before he had lost his senses.) P. 37 .- 34.

It would have been an unutterable affliction to have answered to that name, and to have returned to himself again. The trance of a drunken cobler, who dreamed he was a lord, was not to be shaken off, but with the loss of lise: When he came to be recoblered, he was never his own man again. To return to his leather apron, waxed fingers, and whistling to his black-bird, after such a lordly dream, put him to his pol me occidistis amici. When coblers speak Latin, they have some ends.

Non servastis (ait) cui sit extortà voluptas, Et demptus per vim mentis gratissimus error.

He then raised him upon his legs, and with infinite difficulty mounted him upon his own beast? P. 37.—34.

One creature is ready to help another; though, homo homini lupus. The peafant's as (though by nature aurite) was never so prick-eared before, as when he heared the Don repeat the brave speech of the captive Abencerraje. He was so bruised by the mule-driver when he lay on the ground, that he was spoiled for a star-gazer; and was obliged to lay upon his belly on the beast, not being able to sit upright; and in this situation, he was something like his great brother Antwews, who always became refreshed by smelling to his mother earth.

When he arrived, the curate and the barber of the village, two of his best friends and companions, were present, and his house-keeper was just saying, with a weeful countenance, some misfortune

fortune must certainly have happened to my master.) P. 38.—35.

Of this good old wife Pyrrha, mention has been made before. She could fee lost pins, threadle a needle, and read without spectacles: She was one who had had her day, and knew what was what. She had been acquainted with the Don's father, and remembered the first time he smiled in his mother's face; and preserved a piece of the groaning cake, which she kept religiously with her Good-Friday bun, sull forty * years unmouldy and unmouse-eaten. Now, that ever-wise woman should see her master come to this, to run a wooll-gathering.

^{*} I have preserved this Note, but think Mr. Gayton blundered here, or like Homer, nodded and forgot himself; for Cervantes tells us, that the house-keeper was only turned of forty, and that the Don himself bordered upon fifty; how then could she have known him an infant, when he first smiled in his mother's face?

CHAP. VI.

While the Knight was afteep, his friends came, and demanded of his niece the key of the closet, in which those books, the authors of his misfortune, were kept.) P. 42.—38.

This chapter (like that of a pedigree) is full of hard names. To pass it over in filence, would be unworthy of a commentator, and treating it like words in parenthesis, as well out, as in; or like many words in our Latin Dictionaries, which not being understood by the translators, are said to be the names of places, persons, plants, birds, beasts, and fift! But, this being a critical piece, and a censure of the most noble authors of errantry, as, also, a final condemnation of some of them to Vulcan, we must not ex fulgore dare fumum, give a fnuff for a flaming taper. We therefore lament this incendium trojæ, this firing of the famous library, though not in such high terms as he for Maro's cried out-

------Ergò ibit in ignes Stultaque vaniloqui Flagrabit Musa Quesadæ.

Which verses were made upon a similar misfortune, when the annals of the samous city of Madrid were all burnt to ashes, in the general neral conflagration of Father Benjamin's * fludy; which contained the acts of chivalry of the twenty-four fingle Signiora's combats of the two Confuls; the turnaments of the common Confiliarii; the annual amphipolitical and tumultuary certamina, or feafts of the twenty-four focieties, every Prætorias day; the duels and military performances of the never to be reconciled families, of enraged Sir John Daw, and incensed Sir Amorous La-Fool; the Capulets and Montagues; the Eteocleans and Polyniceans; the Douglass and Percies; the Guelfs and Guibblins, &c. &c. &c.

——— Quis talia Fando, Temperet à Lachrymis?

Begging pardon of the reader, for this digression, I return to the note, from whence we may observe, that love is not always the cause of madness; for we see by woeful experience, that by perusing such books, the vertigo seizes the brains, which being voluminous (as may be seen in a calve's head) they are greatly injured by volumes of a contrary make, especially those that are simple.

^{*} I suppose Mr. Gayton means Father Benjamin, a Spanish Jew, who is said to have written a journal of all the remarkable things in the world.

Sage with brains is good; rosemary, an excellent cephalic; time, savory, and sweet marjoram, in good pottage, make delightful settle-brain. But the simples and leaves of errantry (as we find by experience) are noxious to the brain, consequently to the head; and we know, caput malum, est caput malorum.

And immediately returned with a porringer of hely water, and a sprig of hysoy, saying, "Here, "master licentiate, pray take and sprinkle the "closet, least some one of the many enchanters contained in these books, should exercise his art "upon us.") P. 42.—38.

This over zealous house-keeper, should have defired the curate to have sprinkled her with the holy water, who being a very Hecuba, and unquenchable boutefeu, proved a firebrand to the Don's study. Had she been ducked out of her balneo mariæ, many books might have escaped, which her dry malice, or rheumatic ignorance condemned (without index expurgatorius, or melius inquirendum) to the flames. A worse fate, than configning them to the economical uses of covering tarts and custards; or dedicating them to the fervice of Cloacina's temple. The curate and the barber were more merciful, and would have spared many of them; but the woman, with a truely pious, and papistical spirit, was

for burning all the heretics. Though some historian (his name I have really forgot) does affirm, that the barber, who had a sneeking kindness for the niece (and she for him) did prevail on the damsel to spare some, which she hid under her petticoats for her intended's use; and it is surther added, that that very night they underwent a second impression. I have inserted this anecdote, because it is not mentioned by Cervantes.

The licentiate, smiling at the old house-keeper's simplicity, desired the barber to hand him the books.) P. 42.—39.

The library ladder was mounted, like the execution scaling stairs; and the barber, like Jack Ketch, sell to work with the books. Down they went, solios, quartos, &c. &c. stitched and bound, without regard to rank or titles; whether printed at Anticyra, or by the approbation of the College of Gotham, cum privilegio, or sine; while the licentiate, like the Ordinary of Newgate, gave ghostly counsel to some, and to others, the dreadful words of, ite malam in crucem, farewell and be burnt. Happy would it have been, if the Don's books, like those in public libraries, had been saftened to the shelves, then probably these censurers might have permitted them to have

hung in their own chains, in terrorem, to all knight-errant scribblers for ever.

The first that master Nicholas delivered into his hands, were the four volumes of Amadis de Gaul.) P. 43.—39.

The original of knight-errantry, has been a great subject of controversy. I am of opinion, that Amadis de Gaul was not the first book of that nation; for it is supposed, that they were descended from the Jews, who were, and are, errant over the whole world; and it is not to be doubted, but many books of this nature, are to be found in the Hebrew language. Therefore, that Amadis was the first is very improbable. What were the heroes of the Iliad? the Enead, the Pigmies, the Giants, and Giganto-machi? certainly of more famous and reverend antiquity.

This that comes next, faid the barber, is Amadis of Greece.) P. 43.—39.

Amadis of Greece, might probably be the most ancient of the d'Amadisses. We have very good authority for the country in general.

Audet in bistoria.

Græculus esuriens in cælum jusseris ibit.

Which was further than ever any Knightcrrant went. And as to the particular places, Aratus (the Greek poet and astrologer) testifies for the Cretians, that they were liars without intermission.

Ben Johnson dedicated his Comedy of Volpone, or the Fox, to the universities of Oxford and Cambridge; but fox-like, knowing their quarrels and contentions for antiquity, stiled them most equal sisters: So of the two brothers in errantry, Amadis de Gaul, and Amadis of Greece (least books should quarrel about trisles, like men) I shall stile them fratres fraterrimi. The licentiate was not so merciful; he was for saving the oldest, at the expence of the younger; whereas he should have preserved the latter, and have facrificed the former, who being of the oldest house, was fittest for the fire.

And indeed, the same thing will happen to all those who pretend to translate books of poetry into a foreign language; for, in spite of all their care and ability, they will find it impossible to give the translation the same energy which is found in the original.) P. 45.—41.

Aurea hac verba. Translations are, generally, the stains and shadows of their parents, and only gain reputation from the merits of their

their original authors, unless in the hands of men of genius and abilities. Let Englishmen write themselves, rather than tranflate; and it will be found we have fome amongst us, equal in genius to the ancients. Spencer's Fairy Queen; the Arcadia; Paradife Lost; the Works of Drayton; Beaumont and Fletcher, Shakespeare, Johnson, Rondolph, Gondibert, and many others (not to mention the moderns) are of eternal fame. However, it would be happy for this nation, if we tranflated nothing from foreign countries but their books; but alass! we translate their follies and vices too; even our modes of dress are of exotic extraction!

Pudet hac opprobria vobis, Et dici potuisse, & non potuisse refelli.

If we must be translating, let us translate our vices to their original quarters. Be just, and give to every country that which is their own: to Germany, her ebriety; to Spain, her ambition; to France, her levity; to Turky, her polygamy; to Greece, her lies; to Rome, her superstition; to Venice, her jealousy and revenge; to Ireland, her impudence; and to Scotland, her treachery. This done, I am afraid it will be found, that our own vices will be more than we shall chuse to acknowledge.

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Let the English Palmerin be defended and preferved as an inestimable jewel, and such another casket be made for him, as that which Alexander found among the spoils of Darius, and destined as a case for the works of Homer.) P. 46. —42.

Gratias bispane! I could almost kiss thy large Moor-lips, for this favour. But had he known the histories of Sir Eglamore, John Dory, Robin Hood, the Pindar of Wakefield, with many others more modern, but equally meritorious, such as Jemmy Jessamy, Bessy Thoughtless, &c. &c. and, indeed, most of those delicate novels composed for the use of circulating libraries, he would, without doubt, have recommended them to the vatican, without any index expurgatorius, or censure at all.

Pray Sir, faid the niece, be so good as to order these to be burnt with the rest.) P. 48.—44.

These were the works of divers poets. The Don's niece was neither wise nor beautiful, and certainly never had a lover, whose passion and ingenuity prompted him to bestow a copy of verses on her mopsa's face, otherwise she would have shewn more mercy to men of this profession, who get little by their wit (God knows) if they cannot purchase a damsel's good will. If the semale

world were all so hard hearted, what would become of a number of distracted wights, who constantly exhibit their amorous complaints in magazines and daily news-papers, in ingenious acrostics, the first letters of which bear the names of their beloved objects? or are sometimes concealed under the curious device of a rebus.

However, the gentler breasts of the virginities of London, are more compassionate; and are composed of such mould, as to be easily moved, if a ballad of fane Shore, or Sally Sal'sbu-ree, is revived; or any new pastoral figment makes its appearance (in a half-penny publication) wherein Colin and Phabe lament the obstinancy of cruel parents, and their unfortunate love; till at last, the shepherd becomes desperate, and marries her by force (which, indeed, is an act of desperation) being determined to obtain her by hook or by crook.

And his own verses, out of his own mouth, are the admiration of every body; for he chants them with so sweet a voice, that the heavers are inchanted.) P. 49.—45.

Just as much, I suppose, as a Greek oration, excellently delivered by a student who stood for election, inchanted one of the auditors (a man of consequence) so much, that he was profuse in his praise; which so surprized the electors, who were really scholars, that they desired to know how long he had been skilled in the Greek tongue? to which he answered, "That, he did not understand a tittle of it, but he liked it, because it sounded bravely.

Graiis deditore rotundo Musa loqui.

Greek is pronounced wrong, Unless you troll it o'er the tongue.

I have heard, that the poets of the Fortune and Red-Bull, had always a mouth-meafure for the use of their actors (who like some of our modern ones were terrible tearthroats) and made their lines proportionable to their compass, which was sesquipedales, a soot and a half.

The curate grew tired of examining more books, and would have condemned all the rest, contents unknown, if the barber had not already opened another, which was called the Tears of Angelica.) 50.—46.

Crepat ingens Sejanus. Down went Retont and Pellican, Sericon and Bufo. If these books had been old shirts, much might have been saved faved in tinder; enough, probably, to have ferved the *Mancha* till the day of refurrection: But paper (though it is made of rags) is the most unprositable of all things set on fire. It was impossible, even by the labour of *Alchymy*, to recover the least resemblance of the principles, from the ashes of these monumental histories. Otherwise the Don, out of regard to these authors, would have made a venture, and might have been as samous upon record, for chymical experiments, as he is at this day for heroic undertakings.

One act of grace passed however; Angelica's Tears escaped martyrdom; though it was for fear they would have extinguished the fire.

C H A P. VII.

While they were busied in this manner, Don Quixote began to cry aloud.) P. 50.—47.

AS in other fires of wood and coals, many imagine they fee the shapes of men, lions, horses, and other strange things; so the Don (by the light of the book-fire) apprehended he saw the most desperate tourney that ever was performed by Knights. This rouzed his valourous soul from his bed to action; and being deprived of his arms (for his lance was shattered past the cure of a joiner;

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joiner; and his helmet fo despicably brokent in pieces, it would have puzzled a smith even to have made nails of the remnants) he marched naked about his chamber, and gave battle to the desenceless walls. In high conceit;

In prælio trudit inermem.

Soon as the Don awaked, He fell to fighting naked.

This fituation of the Don's was somewhat fimilar to that of a young student's at Oxford; who having drank too freely at a tavern in the city, was carried to his own appartment at college by his companions. He waked in the night, intollerably thirsty and inflamed in his throat, and supposing himself still at the tavern, he called out, "Waiter, waiter, "I thirst, I burn, bring me fomething to "drink;" but not receiving any liquor, nor fo much as an answer, he became impatient, and being determined to raife the house by violence, he threw his shoes, and every thing he could find, against the glasses and windows, till the noise waked some of his fellow collegians; who, when they found out the real cause of the disturbance, had great difficulty to reconcile their friend to his windows and fituation; or the action of battery would

not have been repaired with his whole year's income.

Certainly, my lord archbishop Turpin.) P. 51.—47.

Imaginary fancies, make strong impressions upon masculine (as well as seminine) spirits. A gentleman, on a rejoiceing night at one of the public halls, was defired to accept of the character of mock emperor or governor. On his compliance, he was created with much wit and ceremony by twelve mock-electors. The emperor ascended his chair of state, which was placed upon an eminence, and was installed with all possible homage, pomp and reverence, by the whole company. Being strongly tinctured before with the spirit of felf-conceit, he now became the most folemn, pompous, tyrannical blockhead, that ever fat on a throne. Holland the player, performing the part of Bajazet in Tamerlane, or Phyrrus in the Distress'd Mother, is a fool to what he was. Alexander upon his elephant, nay, upon the castle on the elephant, was not so pompous and exalted: And fo strongly did this nights imaginary honour work upon his fancy, that he was never able to shake it off, till the time came that extinguishes all things, and dropping the curtain, closes the scene on all our actions, real and imaginary.

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Another remedy, which the curate and barber prescribed for the destemper of their friend, was to alter and block up the closet where his books had been kept; that upon his getting up, he should not find them.) P. 52.—48.

This proposed delusion, was good pro tempore. I knew a humorous cook at Oxford, who was perpetually shifting and altering the doors and rooms of his house. One morning early he changed the door belonging to a stair-case, which led to one of his lodger's appartments; who having been in bed during the alteration, came down hastily as usual when he rose, and sound his head stuck fast in a new mud-wall; and as he was going about some necessary business, it is a doubt, whether (by this forcible detainer) his head or his heels were in the worst pickle.

Some what fimilar to this, is the following story:

A student being called upon by his companions to go and partake of a merry-making supper, in his hurry, lest his study door open. He did not return till it was late, and then much in liquor; and not perceiving the door open, passed through the study till he came to the window, where he stopt, and endeavoured to find the door, in order, as he imagined, to let himself in; but being too drunk to per-

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ceive his mistake, he concluded he had been robbed of his study, and cryed out "thieves, "thieves, I am robbed of my study;" which alarm, brought his companions to him, who found he had lost nothing but his wits; and conducting him to the door, bid him lock it, and they would be answerable for his loss in the morning.

It was not the devil, cried the niece, but an enchanter that conveyed himself hither in a cloud, one night after your worship's departure, and alighted from a dragon on which he was mounted, entered the cleset, where I know not what he did, but having staid a very little while, he came stying through the roof, leaving the whole house full of smoke.) P. 53.—49.

The fertility of this young woman's brain, and her happy invention in telling lies to impose on her uncle, has not been equalled by any one that ever I met with, except by Elizabeth Canning, of pious and immortal memory; whose lamentable story, and deplorable sufferings, alarmed, and consounded the whole British nation; and was the occasion of such disputes, controversies, feuds and animosities, as will never be reconciled to the end of time; though most probably as equally fallacious, as this girl's account of the enchanter on the stying dragon, who (she assirted) had

carried away the Don's study. Though we have since been alarmed with an affair, equally as extraodinary and mysterious; which attracted the admiration and curiosity, not only of the vulgar, but of some of the most respectable and learned men in the nation. The reader, I make no doubt, will readily perceive, this last circumstance alludes to the memorable imposture of the Cock-Lane ghost.

He faid also, that his name was the Sage Munaton, "you mean Freston," said Don Quixote.)
P. 53.—49.

This enchanter is of no note, for I do not find his name in any of the famous authors of Dæmonology; nor is he so much as mentioned in Cornelious Agrippa; no, not even in the Sheperds Calender.

And promising him such mountains of wealth, that this poor simpleton determined to follow, and serve him in quality of Squire.) P. 54.—50.

The Don's bait was alluring; Sancho nibbled at it, and so the gudgeon was caught. The bubble hope, buoyed him up, on which he flattered himself he should float to the island his master promised he would make him the governor of; but alas!

Multa tulit secit que puer, sudavit, & alsit.

Above all things, charging him to purchase a wallet.) P. 55.—51.

The afs (which Sancho also promised to take) and the wallet, were two very unsuitable and inaugurable things for such grand designs. But if the reader ever read the history of Masinello, a poor sisherman, he will think nothing impossible. In days of yore, an ass was a very respectable creature; but in this nation we have now so many (among which some are in human shapes) that they are held in great contempt: And as to the wallet, it was capable of being silled with things of the greatest importance; nay, in one corner of it, might be contained what would overturn the most oppulent nation in the world.

With regard to the afs, Don Quixote demurred a little.) P. 55.—51.

Parvis principiis res magnæ crefcunt. If Sancho had been blessed with Bucephalus to have rode upon, the world could but have gazed on him; and so they did though he rode on an ass. Excesses and desects have always the same effects. Si fortuna volet, sies de Rhetore Conful. Which I for the Don's comfort translate as follows, though not literally.

If it seems good to powerful fate, The ass may prove a horse of state.

Most noble Don, be not dismayed, take the ass along with you, and be not ashamed of your brother; though his ears are unsightly, his back will be servicable. No beast, except a dromedary (and Sancho upon the ass makes one) will be able to undergo the spoils your volour will atchieve.

Mount, Cheval mount, and thro' all nations pass, That word mounts thee, and Sancho mounts his ass.

Sancho Panza journeying upon his ass, like-a venerable patriarch.) P. 55.—52.

Whether the primitive patriarchs rode so (I mean before the flood) is a matter of doubt. Asses, indeed, where then in use, but I find no mention of wallets, unless it was in the great famine, when they went down to Egypt to buy food. Our modern patriarchs do not travel in so despicable a manner, nor the patriarch of Constantinople, or Alexandria; nor his Holyness the patriarch, nor even the archbishop of Toledo. These patriarchs being more than governors of islands, dissain riding on ass or mule; what Sancho would have done had he rose to honour, no one can tell.

" In that case," replied Sancho, " if I should ever become a King, by any of those miracles which your worship mentions, my Duck Juana Gutierez would also be a Queen.") P. 56 .- 52.

It would have been queen of fluts then, for according to the author's account, she was a draggled-tailed lady; and a great damp to the aspiring genius of Sancho. For a man of his expectations to be depressed with such a trapes, was an intollerable circumstance; a weight which feemed to impede his flight to fame and to honour. A dung-boat funk in a shallow stream, is not easily removed to make way for a wherry.

Though it were to rain kingdoms upon the earth, not one of them would sit seemly on the head of Mary Gutierez.) P. 56 .- 53.

Sancho's character of his wife, calls to mind the story of a simple woman, who for want of a few grains of discretion, deprived her husband of some of the highest advantages in the world. The good man, lived an industrious, honest life, contented without murmuring. Fortune feemed to fmile upon him, whenever he vifited her temple. The gracious looks of the goddess, encouraged him to ask an extraordinary favour, which was, that her goodness would confer three wishes on F 2

him; which was answered from the oracle, ratified-wish-and be happy. The man acquainted his wife with his good fortune, but fhe was just such another ninny as Sancho's wife, and begged her husband to let her have one of the wishes at her disposal; the good man, willing to oblige her, granted her request. To the fair they went, whither they were bound, and the dame wished for a ladle which she faw. The husband, provoked at her folly in thus proftituting the bleffing, wished the ladle in her breech, which, without delay, was in the defired place. The wife was fo tormented (besides her shame) that the poor husband had no rest till the impediment was removed, and therefore, in charity to his wife, condescended to employ the third wish for her benefit, which was to recall the ladle. Thus, from the folly of indifcretion, how often do we misapply the bounties of heaven, and turn our bleffings into curses?

CHAP. VIII.

"I would your worship would take notice," replied Sancho, "that those you see youder are no giants, but wind-mills.) P. 57.—53.

THIS gross mistake of the Don's, was undoubtedly owing to his not clearing his eyes in a morning, which Sancho never failed to do; in expectation of feeing the wished-for island. If the Don was the fharpest wit, Sancho had the clearest eyefight; for he could discern at a great distance, that the wind-mills were nothing more than what they appeared to be. Probably such a spiritual mischance befell the Don's eyes, as once happened to a person's ears, who paid great attention to a fermon, but could not hear one word articulately; which troubled him the more, as he faw one, at a greater distance from the pulpit than he was, taking the fermon down in fhort-hand: Upon this he shifted his station, to where the person stood, thinking very philosophically, that the angles of the church might convey the found to the circular concaves more strongly in that place; but when he found that change of place made no difference, and that the other person could hear upon the spot he stood on, though he could not, he did not know which to wonder at most, his own deafness, or the other person's person's acuteness. At last he asked him "if he was really taking down what the parson preached;" to which the other answered in the affirmative: "That is very strange," said he, "for I cannot distinguish a word he says;" "That may be," said the brachygrapher, "perhaps, your ears are not sanctified."

If thou art afraid, get out of the reach of danger, and put up thy prayers for me, while I join with them in fierce and unequal combat.) P. 58.—54.

Sancho was not over religious, yet he chose rather to pray than to fight. His prayers were pithy and short, for he saw the danger his master was in, and knew he would soon want his affistance.

God preferve and bless me, And my wife above knee, With my children all three.

To fpeak critically, it was wrong in the knight to give Sancho leave to pray; nor was the Squire commendable in taking him at his word, and be upon his knees, when the Don was upon his fally; unless we confider, that Sancho was hardly initiated into the profession; however, though he was not

a compleat champion, yet he knew enough to obey orders, and therefore was excufable.

And both knight and fleed whirled aloft, and overthrown in very bad plight upon the plain.)
P. 58—54.

Notwithstanding the mill was in motion, the Don attacked it, and no doubt, had Rozinante been a mill-horse (as his master by one attribute was a miller) they had carried the business round; but in the present case, the mill had the best of it. The picture of Icarus falling into the sea, which afterwards bore his name, is an exact representation of the Don's slight from the sails of the windmill to the ground, who sell rather a Centaur than a man.

Sancho Panza rode as fast as the ass could carry him to his assistance.) P. 58—54.

Poor Sancho lamented the windfall his mafler, and gathered him up like a bruised codlin, a little corrupted on the leiger side. It has been a matter of great controversy, whether, in memory of the Don's disastrous misfortune, wind-mills should not ever since have gone to the lest. The observation has escaped the learned author of the vulgar errors, nor do I remember to have met with it in 56 FESTIVOUS NOTES upon the Philosophical Transactions, and therefore I shall not attempt the decision.

Diego Perez de Vargos.) P. 59 .- 55.

This Knight, from his victory over the Moors, obtained with the branch of an oak, was afterwards firnamed Machuca, which may be translated John á Nokes. From the Don's late encounter, he might have stilled himself a knight of Millan. Scipio, from his victory over Carthage, was called Africanus; and the Casars took names from their successes, as, Almanicus, Gothicus, Britannicus, Germanicus, &c. &c. And as Claudius was famous for exploits of another nature, he was called Cacaticus; and the Don, had Sancho understood Latin, might have been called Querceticus of the Mancha.

Don Quixote could not help smiling at the simplicity of his Squire, to whom he gave permission to complain as much and as often as he pleased.) P. 60.—56.

This was the first symptom of the Don's inclination to mirth, for by his countenance he was scarcely supposed to be rational. Sancho's query, was very sensible and provident; for he considered, he had now two capacities, one personal, the other Squire-errantical; and therefore it was worth the enquiry, in which

of these capacities he should suffer. For, if the Squire's arms, legs, or neck, were broke, it was of no consequence, provided Sancho Panza was left a whole man. But the Don stated the question in the affirmative, and afferted that the bodies of Knight and Squireerrants did also suffer personally (as witches and enchanters are not exempt from punishments, when they assume the shapes and forms of other creatures) for as errantry is but a noble kind of witchcraft, we may conclude à simili; that it is subject to the same inconveniencies-Excellent logic.-The knight (though none of the wifest) experimentally knew (which is the furest knowledge, though not always the fafest) that when the knighterrant was in the air, Don Quixote was there also; and that when he and Rezinante fell to the ground, the Squire was then couchant, in a field green, nose gules, sides and back azure. From this wonderful reasoning, we learn, that the question may be stated either for personal or political capacities; if you hurt one, you hurt both.

Then Sancho observing that it was dinnertime.) P. 60.—56.

As Sancho jogged on, the bags of the wallet itemed him on each fide, and they were momentos mementos he liked very well. He was for a fall to, rather than a fall from-the windmill; but the Don had no appetite, not having digested his late feast of fresh air. The bottle and the wallet were two good companions to Sancho, on which he rode in Perfian state, for the ends of the wallet being on each fide, he poffessed the middle place, which (in those eastern countries) is the highest in honour. He frequently raised the bottle to his mouth, and by this means raised his eyes to heaven, on which he feldom looked fo devoutly as in that posture; so that whether he would or not, he fometimes called to remembrance, that there was fomething above him.

So Cyrus on a dromedary rode, Adorning, like poor Sancho, his warm'd God.

Thou must by no means, even so much as lay thy hand upon thy savord, with design to defend me, unless I am affaulted by vulgar and low-born antagonists.) P. 61.-57.

Sancho was a very peaccable man, and therefore had no objection to obey his master's commands; yet, if they had been given before the late encounter, he must have entered into the farvice of danger; for what caftle more base than a wind-mill? or what

rogue more vile than the pilfering giant in it? But Sancho not being dubbed, was exempted from fighting, and doubtless he never intended to take his degree, that he might for ever stand excused.

"This will be worse than the wind-mills," cried Sancho; "for the love of God, Sir, consider, that these are Benedictine Friars.) P. 63.—58.

The Don (contrary to the advice of Sancho) attempted this more dangerous adventure; for the wind-mills could only grind the body, but those Friars have a power to grind purfe, body, foul, and all. Priests in Spain are more reverend, and their coat of higher price than in England. In Spain it is five pounds a blow at least, and as the Don was dextrous in his onfets, he might foon have thrashed away the whole revenue of the Mancha upon their canonical coats; beside the danger of the inquisition, of which Sancho was more afraid than the devil; for there, neither wallet or bottle gain admittance, nor any thing but bread and water, which latter was a worse torment to him than the furies; for which reason he often comforted himfelf, that the world would never be drowned again, for of all deaths he hated it; and like Ovid, though not with him, often cried out,

Demite

Demite naufragium, Mors mibi munus erit.

Which I shall translate for Sancho, agreeable to his own wishes.

To drink, indeed, is all my wish; But how?—not to drink like a fish *.

Sancho Panza seeing the friar on the ground, leaped from his ass with great agility, and beginning to uncase him with the utmost dexterity, two of their servants came up, and asked for what reason he stripped their master.) P.64.—59.

Non videt id Manticæ quod in tergo est? Sancho had seen capuchines before now, and knew where their stock and their wallets lay; no Irish trooper, or sew after a battle more dextrous and expert. From hence we may conclude, that Sancho imagined his business was to seize the plunder. The Squire for the bag, the Knight for the baggage, for the Don, was all this while in close conversation with the ladies in the

^{*} Our author thinks Sancho is like the felon, that was going to be hanged over a river, and feeing one of his comrades, who was turned off before him, break the rope and drop into the water, begged for a flronger rope, leaft he should be drowned as the other was.

coach; while Sancho made an adventure of robbery, but was taken in the fact; and having to deal with two unmerciful judges (the refolute fervants) never was horse so curried between two Yorkshire jockies as he was. Sancho pleaded his right to plunder by the law of arms; but his adversaries (unacquainted with civil law) used him very barbarously. The friar made off to his companion, with more fpeed than he would have done, to have been made archbishop of Toledo; and though he had quoted a commandment to Sancho, thou shalt not steal, yet his piety never prompted him to prescribe one to his servants, viz. thou shalt not kill; against which they were very near offending, for they left poor Sancho breathless, and that was next to murder: In head and beard, according to the history, he was created a monk, but of the order of the Malegistines.

"Get thee gone, Cavalier, go to the devil, I zay; vor, by the God that made her, if thou wilt not let the coach alone, che will kill thee dead, as zure as che was a Biscayan." P. 65—60.

The Biscayan was a Castril, and no doubt the baggages in the coach were his fisters. And though he swore he would kill the Knight, yet Quixote, considering the infalli-G bility

bility of his fecurity in being a Knight-errant, supposed that it was impossible ever to be abfolutely killed, and therefore refolved to give him battle, and called him Caitiff to his face, which was the greatest affront to a Biscayaner (who is terrâ marique) that could be offered; though if he had been toffed, as the Don was by the wind-mill, in concavum luna, no doubt but he would have been a gentleman by all the four elements. Two fuch high spirits never met before, more implacable that Clinias and Dametas. Cervantes leaves his hiftory here uncertain, as to the iffue of the combat, which (however it went with them) was notorious on the brutes fide, for Rozinante run down the adversary's tired hackney.

> And if the horse such praises had, The Don got more, or he was mad.

> > End of the FIRST BOOK.

BOOK II.

CHAP. I.

In the first book of this history, we left the valiant Biscayan and renowned Don Quixote, with their gleaming swords brandished aloft.) P. 68.—64.

THIS pause in the history, is like an ishmus, or peninsula, which dividing two enraged feas, by its natural interpolition, keeps them from precipitating one into the other; or else as Lucan fays, jonium Ægeo frangit mare. The combatants were stags of mettle; for as on each fide of an isthmus, by the iterated beatings and rebeatings of the fea, the falt froth and spirituous bubbles float to the shore; so upon this Pharsalian plain, the drivelings of these embossed rivals (who foamed like two chaffed boars, or blown mastiffs) were as visible: Nor were their beafts in less agony; and from their excessive heat, evaporation and lather (had there been water near) they would have been no bad subjects, or rather substitutes, for the sport of the soaped bull.

The delicious history abruptly breaks off, without our being informed by the author, where or how that which is wanting may be found. P. 68.—64.

This was a Spanish quirk, a maze of the author's own making, as intricate as his brains; to puzzle and withold the inflamed reader, whom he would make believe, for the dignity and antiquity of his history, that it was written in the Arabian language, and translated by a learned Hebrean. I am clearly of another opinion, though I like his invention, for he wisely considered, that our venerable passion for antiquity would make us think it of more importance (though ever so trisling) than if it had been a modern work.

This same Dukinea, so often mentioned in the history, is said to have had the best hand at salting pork, of any woman in La Mancha. P. 70.—66.

This is the first character we have of Lady Dulcinea's excellencies; and, indeed, it is enough to provoke a Jew to laughter, notwithstanding his abhorrence to swines sless; which hatred, besides the prohibition, was greatly increased by the devil's entering into the herd of swine. That this commendation of Dulcinea's excellence may not appear

ridiculous, I shall illustrate it with two short stories.

A gentleman having some friends to supper with him one evening, where, among other things (having killed a pig) were some hog's-puddings which were greatly commended by all the company; said, "friends, be it known to you, my wife is an abomination good pudding-wife."

Another, being drinking and gaming late at a tavern, and having lost all his money, began to repent; and reslecting upon his family at home, laid his hand upon his breast, and said very pathetically, "what a wicked wretch am I, to be here drinking and gaming, when alass! even at this late hour, is my poor wife making hog's puddings and candles."

For all historians ought to be punctual, candid, and dispassionate, that neither interest, rancour, fear, or affection, may missed them from the road of truth.) P. 72.—68.

Lipfius could have said no more to Tacitus, who were both better politicians than historians; for by giving their own censures, conjectures, and reslections, they shewed their art indeed, but not their saith. When historians take liberties of this fort, they make their readers suspect their authenticity; how-

ever, our *modern* historians are more exact, and take every thing from tradition, without ever adding one wife word of their own.

The flaming swords of the two valiant and incensed combitants, brandished in the air, seemed to threaten heaven, earth, and hell.) P. 73.

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The giants and the gods for the time, were not so hot at it as the Don and Biscayan. Reader, have you ever seen two men driving a buck? two beating hemp? or lastly (which was most like it) the two threshers, who quarrelling about the division of the harvest bottle, bestowed on each other, what was due to the sheaves?

Where is the man who can worthily express the rage and indignation which entered into the heart of our Manchegan, when he saw himself handled in this manner?) P. 73.—69.

Quæ dixit & quæ fecit? What said he not? what did he not? He did not regard the loss of his ear, but became more enraged, and with one blow vanquished him, and laid him slat on the ground femi-mortuus, fepulchrorum & manium penincola. We doubtless should have seen his head on the Don's spear, had not the ladies slew from the coach, to the

the affiftance of their Hestor, and humbly begged of our knight on their knees, to fave the life of one who had ferved them on his for many a long year, both by day and by night.

CHAP. II.

Such as these are not adventures of islands, but frays that happen in bye-roads, in which there is nothing to be got but a broken head, with the loss of an ear.) P. 75.—71.

THE pitcher feldom goes often to the well, but it comes home broken at last. This proverb, if the Spaniard had known it, would have fuited the Don's late disaster, notwithstanding he was victorious. But it is honourable on entring into the business of knight-errantry, to meet with losies and crosfes; to have the tyrocinium difficult and laborious. The unfavourable, but auspicious hoist of the wind-mill, (for in that elevation he faw all the castles he was to conquer, with Sancho's island too) the castigation of the friar's footmen; and the difastrous battle with the Biscayan, were preludes and trials of his bravery: Ardua virtutis via; and whofoever is to make his way through thorns, briers, and quickfets, may be content to lofe only an car in the passage.

"Sir," faid he, "methinks it would be the wifest course for us to retreat to some church; for as he with whom you fought remains but in a sorry condition, it is odds but they inform the holy brotherhood of the affair, and have us apprehended.) P. 76.—71.

Ignavi semper specie pruden ûn admonent. Cowards are always great politicians, and hugh creators of dangers and fafeties. Sancho was afraid of a hugh and cry, for the insultum fecit upon the monk; and it had liked to have been a clausum fregit, if the footmen had not interposed and prevented the burglary. Sancho had two reasons for his caution; fecurity of person, and conveniency of revictualling; for the contents of the wallet were expended, and his belly empty and lank, fo that there were two wallets on one beaft. He loved to make a cloak bag of his belly, wherein he defired one day's provision before hand at least. Monasteries were places he delighted in, because the monks were well spread men, of ample fize, having bodies capable of large undertakings, wherein the foul was not pinched, firaightened, or confined within a narrow compass.

"Set your heart at ease then, friend Sancho," replied Don Quixote, "for I will deliver you from the hands of the Philistines, much more from the clutches of the brotherhood.") P. 76.—72.

The brotherhood were impowered to take up all suspicious persons, in order to prevent robberies on the roads; under which denomination Squire-errants were liable to be apprehended, and comprehended. Knight-crants being for the holy-sisterhood, were in no danger of such bug-bears; nor Sanchoneed not have trembled, for he who was to be secure from the Philistines, could apprehend nothing from constables, or the vigilant Capitolian watchmen.

For I have got fome lint, and a little white ointment in my wallet.) P. 77.—72.

Sancho had pilfered his wife's unquentum album, with which she soddered up the chinks in her ruinous face; so that the poor woman, for want of it, and the thief that stole it, gaped till his return, like the parched earth in a drought.

If I had remembered to take a phial of the balfam of fierabras, one fingle drop of which would fave abundance of time and trouble.) P. 77.—72.

It should have been called opobalfamum, for the rarity of so transcendent an operation. This seems to have been an imaginary balfam, good only, I am asraid, for imaginary wounds. Phantasles being asked, in that learned play of Lingua, what a man thought of, when he thought of nothing? with great presence of mind smartly replied, "His thoughts are then employed how to answer him that asketh nothing." So for no wound no balsam is best. This balsam serabras, was of near affinity to the sympathetic powder, which once did wonderful things. A strange, but true story of its effects, I shall entertain the reader with.

A lady happened to fall a fleep with some needles in her mouth, which she unhappily swallowed; the disaster being dangerous, and her husband asraid of intestine turnpikes, physicians were called from the four corners, with a regiment of surgeons and apothecaries. A counsel was held, and no conclusive result; till at last a little Paracelsian apothecary prescribed a clyster, with three hundred ingredients, which may all be found in the Pharmacopæa; but the chief prædominator, was to be two grains of pulvis magneticus, or powder of load-stone; which having the misceatur and condiatur by direction, was administered by the pigmy minos himself. It worked

fo appositely and sympathetically, that the occult qualities of the load-stone, presently exerted their virtues fo vigoroufly, as foon to attract the needles; the other impulses affifting at the fame time, in expelling them at the qua data porta fo violently, that the apothecary had not time to get out of the way, but was wounded all over his face with the needles. He was carried out to his fellow artists, who wrote probatum est on the remedy; and in confequence of the damages he had received from the experiment, it was agreed, that the fole use and benefit of the medicine should be ceded to, and invested in him; and the lady's husband giving him pulvus auratus for his sympatheticus, all parties were pleased and satisfied.

"Thou hast no more to do, when thou seest me in any combat cut through the middle, a circumstance that very often happens, but to snatch up that part of the body which falls to the ground, and before the blood shall congeal, set it upon the other half that remains in the saddle, taking care to join them with the utmost nicety and exactness." P. 77.—73.)

The quacks of Ludgate-Hill and the Old-Bailey, would rejoice to be in possession of this wonderful panacea; and by the bye, it is shrewdly suspected, that the college of physicians

ficians would have no objection to the secret. But according to Quixote's account, the grand art is in the judicious conjunction of the disunited parts; for in case of a folutio continui but for a moment (should the head be a head of gold) all would be lost. We have, indeed, seen a calves head cleft in two by a butcher, and immediately (ictu oculi, as we say) fixed together again by the help of a piece of thread, which should always be in readiness, for it is the thread of life. But if an ear be seperated from the head, as was the Don's case, not Fierabras, nor Paracelsus himself, nor Bacon's head of brass, could work a cure.

"Thou hast spoke very much to the purpose, and hit the nail on the head," replied Don Quixote, "therefore I annul my oath, so far as it regards my revenge; but I make and confirm it anew, to lead the life I have mentioned, until such time as I can take by force as good a helmet as this from some other knight.") P. 79.—74.

Sancho was determined to keep his master just. If a Turk lays his hand upon his head, he will never deceive you, nor will a Jew, if he pats you on the thigh. So a Knighterrant, if he lifts his eyes and hands to heaven, cannot be released from an oath, or an engagement, unless the matter itself should be null; as if for example, he had sworn to main-

maintain Dulcinea's virgin honour, against all attempts and violence of other knights, and fhe unknown to him, (though not to others) should have ventured on a trial of her potentiality to procreation, and had the scruple of her mind satisfied. In such a case, the Casuists fay, juramentum est irritum, or as others have it, irritum est juramentum. But the Don was errant in his rage, and had forgot that the Biscayne was a military trophy, sent upon parole to Dulcinea of Tobofo; for which reason the oath was void, as to the vindicative part; though the felf-denying part (which was a voluntary and facramental renunciation of clean linen at bed and board) was to be kept, unless he purchased a dispensation from Rome: Though we do not read that he wandered fo far out of the way, but inviolably kept as much of it as concerned his sheets and shirts; like the arch-dutchess of Austria, at the siege of Ostend. .

"I have got here in my bags," faid Sancho, an onion, a flice of cheefe, and a few crusts of bread.") P. 80.—75.

Venter caret auribus. Though the onion was not good for the eyes, it was impossible it should effect the Don's lest ear; strong smells being no annoyance to the sense of hearing: Yet, why may not the senses make

bold with one another's objects? We hear it commonly faid, I have finelt out his meaning; I have finelt out what you would have; I have finelt out what you are doing. Though this last may sometimes be said with great propriety. And again we say, let me see what you fay; so of hearing, if had air may be smelt we may conclude, that it may be seen, selt, or understood.

"I do not say, Sancho, that Knights-errant are obliged to eat nothing except these fruits, but only that their most ordinary sustenance is composed of them and some certain berbs, which they know how to gather in the fields.) P. 81—76.

Sancho was a very Ingrum; he could neither write nor read; a very beaft, and therefore fit for nothing but to pick fallads, which being the chief food (as the only parabile) wherewith the nature of Knight-errants was contented; what could be expected, but faint performances from grafs diet, or fuch as his last was, groß fare?

CHAP. III.

Sancho having, as well as he could, accomodated Rozinante and his ass, was attracted by the odour that issued from some pieces of goat's slesh, that were boiling in a kettle.) P. 82.—77.

SOP's Fable of the two hounds, is here moralized in the Squire and the Don. Hound Sancho was for the kettle; hound Quixote for the field, orations and music; but as nature had given Sancho a tun belly, fo he himself was very much given to the belly; which being as extensive in point of measure as a tun, was not easily filled. But though Quixote could have been contented with the fresh services of Madam Aura (for which he opened as constantly as an oyster against tide) yet the Knights of the Mountains, requested the favour of their younger brother of the hills and dales, that he would give them his company to fuch cheer as they had; which being goat provisions, were most agreeable to bodies-errant, who are generally saltitant, passant, or currant; sometimes volant, and after a wind-mill (as we have feen) couchant. Omne simile nutritur à simili. Fromwhence we fee the reason, that swines slesh is fo nutritive and apposite, unless to old jewry-men and Scots.

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It is conjectured, that Sancho and his mafter fed most upon goat's countenance, or in other words, the head boiled with the hair on, which undoubtedly is as excellent food as lamb's head with the wool on, and is a more efficacious remedy against a desperatio Barbæ, than all the unquents of the college of physicians. It must be confessed, it is fornewhat rough and untoothfome to the palate; but it is not for the teeth or the palate, but for the chin. There is an attractive faculty implanted in every part, and every part draws, as the learned fay, agglutinates and assimilates, which is the way nature performs her work. So that we may conclude, philofophically, philologically, and metaphy fically, that the chin, cheeks, boscos, subofcos, dulapes, and the jawy part of the face, know their own qualities and powers as well as any other part of the body.

For what is faid of love may be observed of Knight-errantry, that it puts all things upon a level.) P. 83.-78.

Love and danger are very glutinous, and of a foddering and affociating nature. If two love one another, it is very probable they will lie together. So for quarreling, if two fall out, they generally fall in, together by the ears. Love is a leveller, for laugh (which

(which is but a variation from love) and lie down; and chivalry lays all before it.

Who with keen appetite, and infinite relish folaced their stomachs, by swallowing pieces as large as their sists.) P. 84.—78.

A man might have learned to have choaked himself of these cormorants, without much application or study. Delicacy of seeding, use of napkins and compliment, they were not acquainted with, being educated and trained up in the academy of Grobians*; where they had been taught every minute punctilio of grossness and gluttony.

His non invideas porcorum affine palatum.

Thus ended the goatherd's ditty; and though Don Quixote desired him to sing another, yet Sancho Panza would by no means give his confent, being more inclined to take his natural rest than to hear ballads.) P. 90.—84.

This entertainment was prince like; meat, wine, and music, vocal and instrumental. It wanted nothing but wenches to have made it not only compleat, but equal to our modern routs. It is a wonder the Don did not offer a madrigal of his own, though indeed, he had entertained them with a long-

winded oration; and Sancho begged to have no more finging. Such dull, unactive clay as he was composed of, no fragrantia frigida frisca can elevate.

Qui jacet in terrà, non habet unde cadat.

At the foot of the rock, hard by the Corktree-spring; for, the report goes, and they say, he said so himself, as how the first time he saw her was in that place.) P. 91.—85.

Many take great omens from the place where they first see the objects of their affections. Chryfostom's first view of Marcella, was from the Cork-tree-fountain; but it proved an unfortunate one for him. The rock was an emblem of her obdurate heart; the cork-tree, of her levity, inconstancy, volubility, and hupernatability. And lastly, the fountain was a proof from its constant flowing, that nothing could be done. It had been better far (had fortune been so much his friend) to have feen her rifing from gathering of a role, or in the very cropping of a flower, or (what is still more certain and fortunate) collecting a whole nofegay. Befides this, the proverb was in his favour, (which plainly, and not parabolically, lays down the beginning of love) and doubtless would have proved aufpicious, for in the progress

gress of a small time, it must have come to a wedding.

Many have had their first views upon a May-day in the morning, which being here-tofore facred to Flora, in pursuance of her ceremonies have been favoured with a greengown, which has brought strange things about in due season. Some have had their first views in a church; for an instance of which, take the following.

A gentleman standing at the door of a pew, in which fat a beautiful young lady, was struck with her charms, and instantly received the pleasing impression from the god of love. The lady paid great attention to the preacher; while the gentleman paid his devotion to her beauty, and having a book and pencil with him, began to take down the lines of her face. This he repeated daily. till he at last drew her exact picture. She had feveral times observed his constant zeal. fuppofing he was taking down the notes of the fermon; which raifed her curiofity, and drew her attention from the preacher to him, till at last, she found she could not withstand the pious rhetoric of his eyes, by which fafcination he first transmitted the venemous qualities of his warm affections. He finding fome gracious returns of her bright luminaries, and favourable aspects, gazed sometimes

fo long, that he forgot his table till eyechecked to his duty. In process of time, he came to nearer colloquies, and they spoke not by eyes, but by lips, whereby the impulses of his desires were so powerful, that she became wholly devoted to this religious servant; who, when he had carried his point, told her what his notes were, and shewed her the fairest lines that ever were drawn in short hand. The lady seeing her sace so well done, chid him for his hypocrify, and bid him do so no more; but charged him to try if he could not copy one like himself and her too.

He was very knowing in the science of the stars, and what passed betwint the sun and moon, and the heavens.) P. 92.—86.

As Chrysostom was skilled in astronomy, he should have taught his coy and cruel Marcella some of his astrological postures, and he probably might have carried his point, and not have died with grief and disappointment. Where were his brains that he never cast her, or her nativity? His knowledge was not extensive, if he could not read in those bright characters, what would be the event of his own suit. He should have sound out what conjunctions happened at her birth: Whether Venus was cross-legged; or Saturn costive; or Mars melancholy (as he always is after a

conjunction with Venus) or Mercury honest; for in this case, whoever attempts to gain a woman's affections, or to steal a maid, will be unsuccessful. So also, will it prove if Luna is in the wane, for that blows good to no one. And if Jupiter is not jovial, or Sol in his mubble-fubbles, or in a total eclipse, there is little business for the midwife, for Sol et homo generant hominem, though men go to work at fun-fetting. Chryfostom had not the Hocas Pocas of astrology; he could not shuffle the ephemerides nimbly, and make' the stars move with a Palabras, or a Falathra, according to the wishes of the ignorant enquirers.

Our modern conjurers go far beyond poor Chrysostom, they correspond with the chambermaids, instead of the stars, and learn from them, what they prognosticate to their enquiring and credulous mistresses. Abigal discovers her lady's dreams and inclinations, and then Albumazar retails them at what rate, and in what manner he pleases. If this does not do, or he cannot have an affistance of this fort, he peremptorily pronounces her doom, destined, and star-assigned to one, whom fhe will meet at such a time, in fuch a place, with fuch a shape, and in such a fuit of cloaths (which description probably was

given him by the foliciting humble fervant of the lady, who, prior to her interview with the doctor, had bribed his mercenary tongue) this passes for the irrestible decrees of fate, and the wedding is instantly agreed on and concluded; for as it was signed in heaven, it must be sealed on earth.

He would fay, this year you must sow barley and no wheat.) P. 93.—87.

Country people are generally very credulous, and superstitiously attend to the ridiculous predictions of Almanack-makers. A feafonable Almanack, gains more reputation, than the learning of a Newton, or the wifdom of our universities. If the Calender says fair, wet, windy, indifferent, mixt, or altogether, they will quarrel with the stars, if they make not good what the Almanack has promifed; though fometimes in point of eclipfes, they think the writer contoxicated, as they, fay. The great author of all things, who made the day, is not once thought of, unless every thing agrees with the Almanack, which is the God they adore, if it prognosticks a good feed and barvest-time.

Not many months after he came from Salamanca, he appeared all of a sudden in shepherdweeds, with his woolly jacket, and a slock of sheep, sheep, having laid aside the long dress of a student.) P. 93.-87.

He changed his coat, and from a black became a grey friar. O love! what a pudder hast thou made in this world below; and in that above too! If we believe the stories of Jupiter's shapes and escapes. If a lady is furprized, with I pray Jove, it be John in the very fact, she is a Lucreece, a goddess of chastity; while Amphitryo is made a Jupiter, and takes one of his principal attributes from hence (even Capitolinus) and when he is fo worshipped, he wears horns, which fignify not as some vulgarly imagine knavishly, but according to the Hebrew fignification) light, shining, glorious, or transparent.

This whining passion of shepherds, was very ancient among the Arcadians, who were the first pipers that we read of; but they succeeded better than Chrysostom, for they made their nymphs dance after their music, two or three to a flute; for the first age was Polygamous. They were stout lads, and more than Cock-a-twos.

Chrysostom the defunct was such a great manat composing couplets, that he made Carols for Christmas-Eve.) P. 93 .- 87.

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Such kind of fongs as our Wasfallers tone upon that ancient festival; for a specimen of which, take the following stanza:

God rest you, merry gentlemen,
Let nothing you dismay;
Remember Christ our Saviour,
Was born of a Christmas-Day, &c.

Chrysostom's poetry could not be much more elevated, for the subject and reward was but a spice bowl; however, they pleased excellently well, for *Pedro* declares, every body said, that they were tip-top.

This verse he wrote in wine, and this in beer.

When the people of the village saw the two scholars so suddenly cloathed like shepherds, they were surprised, and could not guess their reason for such an odd change.) P. 93.—87.

A strange metamorphosis, once happened to an old knight; who notwithstanding the filver items on each side his face, and argent pendents of his chin, resolved to stumble in at lovers-hole, before he sell into the hole which lasts till dooms-day. He so passionately pursued his affection and inclinations, that he changed his ancient garb, and dressed himsels al-a-mode. A strange and un-

natural transformation. Hercules was not more effeminate, when he turned spinster to cozen Omphale. He also cut off his reverend beard, and smoothed his cheeks, and with a blacklead comb, changed the colour of those hairs which were fenatorian, and like a filver fnow had covered his head ten years beyond the climacterick; and lastly, though he could fearcely walk without crutches, he attempted to dance without measure: And all this (like Chryfostom) was done to gain the affection of a delicate young lady, who, to her beauty, had wit and judgment also, and knew that a gentleman of four and twenty was a more agreeable companion than old Æson.

Methinks I see her now with that face of her's, which seemed to have the sun on one side, and the moon on the other.) P. 94.-88.

By Pedro's account of Marcella's mother, it is evident he was no relation to him that keeps the keys where these planets shine. What a heavenly face was this? wherein the fun and moon must ever be in eclipse! the interpolition of the nose being but small, and not casting a sufficient shadow for a dial. It is not to be doubted, but her whole perfon was adorned with a number of stars, by way of beauty-spots; and if this was the

case, those lesser luminaries formed the Via Lastea, or milky-way; to which we refer the man (ufually in the concave of the moon) but now somewhat eccentrick; for it would have spoiled the moony side of her face, to have had the portraiture of a man there; befide the croffing of the proverb, for the woman died in child-bed. But what of that? Sol et homo (as is faid before) generant hominem, as was here done; homo being Latin either for man or woman, and a woman was born at this time. Had the man been in the moon, it might have been Luna et homo generant; but this might have fet the fun and the moon, and the man in the moon, together by the ears, with old William into the bargain, about the legitimacy of Marcella. But they both died, she first, and her husband soon after; and according to Pedro's account, it is a wonder the world did not end with her, for no doubt but the fun and moon were both extinguished at her death; and this we are told, is to be the fign of the world's dissolution.

But he, who, to give him his due, was a good Christian, although he wanted to dispose of her as soon as she came to the age sit for matrimony, would not give her away, without her own consent.) P. 95.—89.

Old William and his Astronomia being dead, Marcella's uncle, the priest, was made guardian to this fallen star, which at her mother's departure to the sirmament, droped by the way. Her uncle was a man of sense, and though he was not willing to force her to marry, he knew the folly of letting a young woman lye upon hands like over-blown roses, till their beauty is withered, and they become contemptible. A seasonable application (says the shepherd of Banbury) is good. I shall illustrate this note with a short put apposite tale.

There was a gentleman, whose number of daughters taught him prudence and diferetion, and led him to fearch into the natures and dispositions of his family. He found, on examination, that the youngest was the most forward, and therefore he fought out for a husband for her; and forthwith got a Principiis obsta, as they call it in physic, or as some fay, an Intus existens prohibet alienum. The damfel, overjoyed at her good fortune, when the happy day was fixed, became so elated and so impatient, that she went and invited her friends and relations to the wedding herfelf. They were surprized, considering her age, and more especially as she was the youngest; and asked her how it came about, that the was to be married before her elder fifters?

To which she answered, simpering, that her father, who knew her from an egg, gave a very good reason for it, though she did not know his meaning; "for he said," continues she, "that some eggs will hatch in an oven; and that in hot weather, things will not keep without salt."

Neither had he a view in deferring her marriage, to the gain and advantage which he might enjoy in managing the girl's fortune.) P. 95.

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The worldly parents of these days, are rather hucksters than parents, and make markets of their children. A quantum dabis, on their heads, putting them off to the best bidder, without respect to years, compliance, or affection. So the lands are coupled, the eftates joined, and the parchments fealed; it is no matter whether the parties come together in any other sheets. Like Sampson's foxes, if ever they meet, it is with firebrands in their tails. Matches made in the minority of both parties, or from interested motives only, are like those in a tinder-box, of a short slame, and foon go out. Miserable is the condition of two fo joined; especially, if the female's experienced, fond, and indulgent mother, has told her daughter before marriage, what she is to expect after it. There are fuch idiots

in the world, who think it their duty to give their daughters such information, though it is ten to one, but it lays a foundation for their future unhappiness.

Whenever any one of them comes to disclose his intention, let it be ever so just and holy, even marriage itself, she throws him from her like a stone from a sling.) P. 97.—90.

Marcella was not like the damsel in the Eclogues.

Quæ fugit ad salices, sed se cupit ante videri.

Who flew into a bush, her head to hide, But glad with all her heart she was espy'd.

She was a fullen shepherdess, and meant to preserve her chastity, till she was impregnable for ought she knew; for if a woman be forty-fied, or rather fifty-fied, the attempt is as difficult and hazardous as the siege of Osend.

Not far from this place there is a tuft of about a dozen of tall beeches, upon every one of which you may read engraved the name of Marcella.) P. 97.—91.

Of these kind of inscriptions and love knots, the Arcadia is full. Could we see the beeches Pedro speaks of, we should find them excellently well cut by Chrysostom's own hand,

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as monuments of his true love, and her cruelty, in the curious ænigmatical manner of the ancients, as follows:

CHRYSO—MAR
and
STOM—CELLA.

CHAP. V.

For which reason it cannot be proved, that from that period to this, any Englishman has killed a raven.) P. 100.—94.

IN the passage from whence the note is taken, Quixote mentions an ancient tradition of king Arthur, which says he was, by the art of inchantment, metamorphosed into a raven. This explains the affertion in the text.

The translation of king Arthur into a raven, is greatly to be doubted, notwithstanding Quixote affirmed it was generally believed all over Great-Britain. Had it been true, the sagacious Almanack-makers of that age, would certainly have made the raven a sign in the Ephemerides. How it escaped Lilly is wonderful, unless the raven was a white one.

Sir Knight-errant, methinks your worship professes one of the strictest orders upon earth, nay, I will affirm more strict than that of the Carthusian Friars.) P. 101.—95.

By the length of Quixote's orations, they may be stiled Ciccronian. The present business seems to be whether monkery, or knighterrantry, is the hardest life. I shall therefore suppose Vivaldo to be a monk, and make him and the Don canvass the matter over, in a short dialogue in verse, till the reader is convinced, by the pregnancy of their arguments, and yields to that which his judgment most inclines him to.

VIVALDO.

I don't attempt to rail, I will be civil,
Tho' I encounter with incarnate devil!
Knight-errants rank with holy monks! what
hopes

From our shav'd heads, course cloaths, and girded ropes?

If one, whose hands are purple with manslaughter,

Shall mix in Paradise with monks hereaster,

QUIXOTE.

Father, I say not so, I'll ne'er desire-To come to your's, or good St. 'Thony's fire. Enjoy Enjoy your Limbus to yourselves, I know You well deserve such fate for living so; Barely and base I mean, yet for all that, (Sure 'tis God's blessing) you're all very sat: If that your Limbus be a fat'ning fire, Fly quickly there, you'll make a jolly friar.

VIVALDO.

Not so much haste, Knight-errant, you run post,

Alas! you never read of wand'ring ghost; One of your brother Knights, who strange-

ly died, .

And never to his God for mercy cry'd;
Now he may wander on the Stygian verge,
And ne'er be able to procure a dirge.
We are content to live within our cell,
Praying for such as you, who merit hell;
And in your desp'rate phrenzy do such deeds,

As put us monks to counting of our beads.

QUIXOTE.

My trade is fighting, Sir, I never pray, I have not been devout this many day; When I invoke, it is my lady fair, To beg her bleffing on my toil and care; Or when some giant, with a stump of tree, Attacks me, then to her I bow my knee:

This does the work, I conquer at a stroke, Confound all weapons, whether steel or oak.

VIVALDO.

Is this devotion? 'twere a fin to fmile; Invoke your mistress! you your foul beguile!

You must address some other kind of saints, As are departed life, they know our wants And seel them too.—They liv'd on earth cum-vobis,

These supplicate, Orat', Orat', pro nobis.

O Sancta Clara, Bridget, Frances, Win,

And thou Loretto, guard me from all fin;

And pray good Cath'rine (who did mind your wheel)

That I by fumes of drink may never reel; O pray all faints, all ages, and all fexes, Against all evil that the foul perplexes.

QUIXOTE.

What tho' I say no hymns, nor Ave-Maries, I sast, or seed on diet like the Fairies; Sancho shall witness it to good St. Peter, That when I have to eat, I'm no great eater.

I've read of Peter's sheet, and large provi-

But I was ne'er in any fuch condition;

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Sheets I renounce, and victuals I have none, Sancho produce the wallet—See, all's gone! Who doth endure so much? see how I'm batter'd,

Beat black and blue, gall'd, wither'd, torn and shatter'd:

Show me, throughout the world, fo rare a fight

As I at present am, although a Knight.

VIVALDO.

I grant you errants, are a rueful tribe, Like wand'ring Jews, indeed, without a gibe;

And tho' you often want, and want be lasting,

You cannot fay 'tis a religious fasting. But we a thousand Ave-Maries say,

And day by day, and night by night we pray:

We fast like you, attho' we've store of wine, And can, whene'er we please on dainties dine:

Yet, in the fight and smell of a full kitching, We to our crosses go, pennance and breeching.

All this, and more, by us is to be done, Besides confessing with each pretty Nun;

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And when we've mortified and tamed the flesh,

We feed with stomachs good, as they who thresh.

Enough of poetry; we will go to profe again, for neither in verse or prose, sea or land, high-way or field, must a Knight-errant be worsted; and there is no knowing how this dispute may end, for he who attacks a monk, may almost as well wage war with the devil; therefore I leave the issue of the dispute doubtful and conclude;

Et vitulo tu dignus et hic.

Quixote's religion (though not his food) was very much like that of Chaucer's physician,

Whose meat was very good—digestible, But not a word he utter'd from the Bible.

There are few Christians of the order of Knight-errantry, for they are generally Apostates, or voluntary *Mahometans*, and subscribe to the *Alcoran*: For according to the principles of that fabulous book, they *Knight-crranted* it from this world to the next, with a *Dulcinea* here, to a *Dulcinea* there, and changed *Toboso* for *Paradiso*.

I affirm, that there never could be a Knighterrant without a mistress; for to be in love is as natural and peculiar to them, as the stars are to the heavens.) P. 104.—97.

Your Hectors, and Herculeans, are all of them Pamphilians, or univerfal fervants of the ladies. There are, indeed, a fort of men called Solifidians, who make vows of confrancy to one fingle piece of furpassing excellency. Of this order was Don Quixote; yet, I believe the reader will presently find, that his integrity was liable to suspicion, as will appear by his pursuit of Marcella; for had he overtaken her (after his late feast on goats-sless) it is imagined he would have selt Caprizans pulsus.

Sancho alone believed that every thing his mafter faid was true.) P. 107.—100.

Though Sancho did not think himself under an obligation to second every thing his master said, yet he had the modesty to let it pass. Davus had no better commendation than fides et Taciturnitas. A Spanish shrug will shift off a lie, as well as other things.

This is the body of Chryfostom, who was a man of unparalelled genius.) P. 108.—101.

We must now be very grave and serious, being at a funeral, and the celebrated Chryfostom's body a spectacle of mortality before us. Ambrosio is to entertain us with a pastoral oration for his deceased brother shepherd (flain by the negative voice of the cruel Marcella) in the lamentable tones of the wild Irishmen's O Hones. As for exemple; O Hone, O Hone! why wouldest thou die, good Chrysostom? Hadst thou not sheep and oxen, I and cows, yea, even red cows? (whose milk is good against consumptions.) Hadst thou not orchards and gardens, how canst thou die? Was not thy father and mother dead, and did not they leave thee all their wealth, why then wilt thou die? O Hone! Hadit thou not more wit than all thy friends, neighbours, and kindred? Why then wouldest thou die, and leave us fools behind thee? But O Hone! we will follow thee even unto that very place, where thou didst first receive thy death's wound by the denial of a cruel woman.

* This was no other than the shepherdess Marcella, who appeared upon the top of the

^{*} That the reader may not be puzzled in referring to the passages from whence the texts are K taken.

rock, just above the grave they were digging, so beautiful that she surpassed all report.) P. 114.—107.

See where bright Cynthia shines, but hark! Tho' the moon shines, the dogs will bark. Don Quixote view'd her shape and air, Yet thought his dirty Dul' as fair; While Sancho, tho' a stupid block, Wish'd to be with her on the rock.

Ambrosio was impatient at the sight of her, and began to abuse her, and in the language of Billingsgate, railed at her immaculate same and firm constancy, which was not to be shaken any more than the rock on which she stood. Bona verba, good Ambrosio; what downright Basilish, merciles Nero, Tullia, &c. &c. Who would have looked for such Nestar with Ambrosio?

taken, it is necessary to observe, that Dr. Smollet has divided this Second Book, into five Chapters only; Mr. Jarvis into fix. This difference may prevent a ready reference, in this place especially; for as I have taken my texts from Dr. Smollet's translation, I have divided my chapters in the same manner; but if the reader has recourse to the numbers at the end of each text, no mistake can happen through the whole book.

I come not, answered Marcella, for any of the purposes you have mentioned, Ambrosio; but rather personally to demonstrate how unreasonably people blame me for their own affliction, as well as for the death and sufferings of Chrysostom.)
P. 114.—107.

This speech is a pure desence of resolved virginity, rigid constancy, and an obstinate resolution, to gather nuts all the vacation long; which are very stiptical, and consequently, they that seed on them, are naturally costive and seldom loose. This fair Hyppolyta, dedicated herself to the woods and forrests, where exercise, continual labour, and variety, give check to all those passions, which a sedentary and lazy life is subject to.

And if hope be the food of desire, as I gave none to Chrysostom, or to any other person, so neither can his death, nor that of any other of my admirers, be justly imputed to my cruelty, but rather, to their own obstinate despair.) P. 116.—109.

Chrysosom was only to be blamed in the present case, for he would not take his answer. She told him she could not love him, or any one else; but this Pagan scholar would not believe a woman in the negative to her own good. Doubtless he had read of some one, who said, she would embrace fire and

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faggot, rather that such a one; but in a fortnight, having forgot the imprecation, has been tied and bound to the abhorred stake. The shepherd's mulieri ne credas here sailed, for Marcella was resolute to her quanquam.

She ought to be honoured and esteemed by all virtuous men, as the only person in the universe, who lives in such a chaste and laudable intention.) 118.—1111.

Here the reader must begin to smell a rat. For if Marcella was the only person in the universe, who led a chaste life, what was Dulcinea? Doubtless, no better than she should be, as we vulgarly say; pray heaven she was so good! the Don could not forget himself, for it was in the morning, and being fresh and fasting, his head was clear, or ought to have been so.

Who was refolved to have the following Epitaph engraved upon it.) P. 118.—111.

The Epitaph defigned for Chrysostom by Ambrosio, may be seen in the history of Don Quixote. But Cervantes, forgot to give his readers one which was written by Marcella. In order to render this book as compleat as possible, I think it my duty to introduce it.

Marcella's EPITAPH on Chrysostom,

Against this tree doth lie a swain,
Who, died indeed, but lov'd in vain;
He hop'd t'have been Marcella's lord,
But died upon a cruel word.
Marcella wish'd him longer life,
Tho' she refus'd to be his wise:
Yet if his dust content can have,
She'll mingle ashes in the grave;
For when it is her welcome turn,
What bed denied, she'll give his urn.

End of the SECOND BOOK.

BOOK III.

CHAP. I.

And leaving the ass and Rozinante at pleasure to regale themselves with the rich pasture, emptied their knapsack, and without any ceremony, attacked the contents, which they are together like good friends, laying aside all vain distinction of master and man.) P. 121.—113.

THE Don pursued Marcella into the wood, but she was too nimble for him. She had been accustomed to chace the wild boar, and followed the swift-sooted stag, and therefore it is not to be wondered at, that an over-ridden stallion, and a tame ass, could not reach her. Horse and asses being tired with the fruitless pursuit, they declined it, and comforted themselves (though they could not obtain the lady) that they had sound a pleasant, delightful meadow, where having less the pleasure of one sense (viz. that of feasting their eyes with Marcella's beauty) they thought it high time to provide for the maintainance of the rest;

-----Strato discumbiter Ostro:

They laid themselves down, and sell to it, hail fellow well met. Sancho proved the nimblest feeder, having his nose seldom out of the manger; for the Don was gazing about for adventures, and therefore did not follow his blow (or rather stroke) fo that Sancho here was the Knight of the meadow, though at other times only Squire of the high-way.

It was then that Rozinante seized with an inclination to solace himself with some of these skittish females, no sooner had them in the wind, than deviating from his natural disposition, and accustomed deliberation, without asking leave of his lord and master, he went off at a small trot, to communicate his occasions to the objects of his desire.) P. 121.-114.

Rozinante was not absolutely run off his mettle; he was backed to enterprizes, and therefore boldly attempted to attack the Gallician fillies. But this was a great error in the Cephal-errant, for by order of his horsehood, he should have relieved the mares, who were oppressed and overladen with heavy packs, he being the Horse-errant of the only lady-relieving Knight-errant in the whole world. The Don was generally worsted in his encounters, and fo it proved with the horse, for the Yanguesian carriers flew to the affistance of their mares, who had hitherto defended 104 FESTIVOUS Notes upon

defended themselves from this soul ravisher with their heels, which is more than some rational creatures will do on similar occasions. They sell on Rozinante so violently, that they soon brought him to the stool of repentance, and never was poor beast so hampered for wicked intentions.

True it is, at the second application, Sancho fell to the earth; a misfortune that also happened to his master.) P. 122.—115.

Sancho had more fense than his master, for though he loved him very much, he was unwilling to meddle with the carriers. He faw their fuperior number, and heard the blows given to Rozinante; and though he was tickled with the government of the island, yet he perceived it was a desperate causeway that was to conduct him thither, and that he was likely to undergo very strict dicipline, before he would be able to exercise any himself. The truth of these fears were fully proved in the present case, for though he was spurred on with hopes by the couragious infpirations of his mafter, and exerted all his strength, yet what were Hercules and Lycas, against twelve labours (or rather labourers) at once? Sancho was of opinion at first, that it would difgrace their history to engage in a horse-quarrel; and so it turned out. Rozinante lay breathless on the ground, and close by him the Don, not able to stir hand or foot; and Sancho lay at a distance with his face to the ground, being ashamed to look to heaven, or upon man or beast after this ignoble victory.

The carriers perceiving the havock they had made, thought proper to load again with all dispatch, and pursue their journey.) P. 122.—115.

Fuga est pro culpà: A guilty conscience has a thousand judges, juries, and witnesses. But who was to make hue and cry after the carriers, who was to raise the country? It being betwixt fun and fun, the country was liable to pay damages; but it was fecure as to that matter, for cantabit vacuus. The Don feared no robbing, and as for the brutes, they were not worth stealing. Nothing was taken from them, the damage lay in what was given them; and this neither the hundreds nor thousands could remove. Sancho, by his affliction got experience, and being wifer than his master, remembered him of the balsam made by Fairyblas, and it is a wonder how his head, being fo difordered, could contain to hard a word.

"In how many days does your worship think we shall be able to move our feet?" said the Squire.

Squire. "With regard to myself," answered the battered Knight, "I really cannot fix any number of days.") P. 123.—115.

Statutum est semel mori. The Don knew that; but as for the stati dies of a sickness, the beginnings, declinings, and persections of a disease, he was as much to seek as for his balsam: but, pares in culpâ, pares in pænâ, like master like man. Confession is the first step to repentance, and though neither of them could move a foot, yet it was real; and as for Sancho, he came to an absolute resolution never to play such a prank again. But the Don was of a contrary opinion, for he was determined to intail these inserior encounters on Sancho for the suture, as they too much degraded him as a Knight, and therefore were more compatible with his Squire.

What would become of thy wretched affairs, if after I had won and given it into thy possession, thou shouldest frustrate my intention, by thy lack of knighthood, ambition, valour, and courage, to revenge thy wrongs, or defend thy government?) P. 124.—117.

The Don upbraids Sancho excellently well, and excites his coward-spirits, by promising him the government of an island, which, by the bye, Sancho seemed disposed to relinquish,

rather than undergo another fuch beating: But Quixote's orations could not raise the Squire's spirits, nor even his body from the ground. Rozinante was concluded the author of these last mischiefs.

--- Equo ne credite Teucri.

But Sancho was refolved to humble him, if. low diet would do it, for he determined to interdict him from oats, and all flatulent and erecting food, for some time at least; but had rem been proved in re, his mouth would have been excommuned provender for ever; for an unchaste beast can never, with true propriety, carry the body of a Knight-errant through his virgin-rescuing adventures. However, Rozinante himself paid dearly for his lasciviousness, for it is dolorous to relate, in what variety of agony he lay shifting from fide to fide; and the fight of his master, lying in a worse condition, was double grief to him.

Tormentum miseris socios habuisse doloris.

All these inconveniences are inseparably annexed to the exercise of arms.). P. 125 .- 118.

These inconveniences were too many and too heavy, to conduce much to the exercise of his arms, fides, back, or legs: For in

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the prefent case, all the parts of his body were in a parity of fuffering; not by compassion or sympathy, but by the proper anguish of each particular joint and member, otherwife, some unexercised member (like the undipped heel of Achilles) had been enough to have overthrown the whole. The continual bastings of the Don, may very aptly be compared to the daily fouling of that valiant Greek's body, in the inchanted bath for invulneration. If glass can be so indurated by fire. as to withstand all force, certainly the bodies of Knight-errants may become folidated by perpetual contusions, and in time be inferrible. Milo, by carrying calves, improved his strength to the burthen of a bull: Atlas, by fuch stupendious burthen-bearing, came to be porter to heaven itself; and Hercules, his fub-porter. The Don, from what he indured, is the next in reversion to Hercules, nemine contradicente.

Befides, I would have thee know, Sancho, that it is never reckoned an affront to be wounded by those instruments which are casually in the hands of our enemies.) P. 126.—119.

Mene Iliacis occumbere campas

Non potuisse, tuaque animam hanc effundere
dextra.

Had I but fall'n in Trojan fields, Cover'd with myrmidons rich shields, Where Hestor in his blood lay grav'ling, Slain by Achilles lustly jav'lin.

There was the honour of it, to fall by the spear of Achilles; this was field honour, but it was no dishonour (in the Don's opinion) nor even in the heralds court of Knight-errantry, to meet with a pack-staff salutation. The battle with the carriers was no legal combat (judge all masters of desence) for the weapons were not named in the bill, nor produced upon the stage. It was mere chance-medley, and misapplication of tools. This was great comfort to the Don; he was reputation sound however. A hundred such disasters as this, are but misdemeanours in Knight-errantry, and can never amount to an attainder.

Such carriage will be no dishonour to chivalry.)
P. 128.—120.

Necessity hath no law. Quixote was not able to ride, had Rozinante been able to carry him, and, therefore, was obliged to be thrown across Sancho's ass. But he thought it no disgrace, as he remembered a president for it; and in order to reconcile the proud spirit of

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his Squire to it, he is supposed to have discoursed him in the following manner, which is not improbable, though not mentioned in the history.

"Friend Sancho, you perchance may grieve and think it improper to behold me on your ass, especially, as I hang across like a wallet; but if thou didst consider that I intend, after the next glorious defeat, to go to Madrid, and there take the order of the Golden Fleece, thou wouldest not think it strange, that before hand, I conform myself to the ceremony, which is the most ancient of all orders in the world. You perhaps, Sancho, may reply, that it is uncomely for me to ride in this manner. Doubtless it would be so in some cases, but you know I have been accused by Vivaldo, of want of devotion, therefore I am now refolved to acquit myfelf of that charge; and though I am Kim Kam, yet it is more than hath been related of any Knight-errant that ever I read of; which determines me (for luck-fake in future) to cross all my adventures in the posture I now lye across the ass; being assured, that it will defeat all inchanters, giants, carriers, and wind-mills, whenever they attempt to prevail over us. And though I do not ad Sydera tollere vultus, yet my pains and groans reach thither.

thither, and I look thus down in defiance of all hellish confederacies, from whence they spring."

CHAP. II.

The inn-keeper seeing Don Quixote laid athwart the ass, asked what was the matter? to which interrogation Sancho replied, "nothing but a few bruises which my master has received in a fall from a rock in this neighbourhood.)
P. 130.—122.

Through the wit of Sancho, our Knight of the Fleece, or rather fleeced Knight, becomes a Rupe-cadente, or rock-falling Knight; or Knight of the Precipice, or Knight of the Downfall; for any of these attributes or titles were suitable to him: And in this case Sancho, with great propriety, might be stiled the Squire of the Quarry.

Don Quixote having laid himself down, was anointed from head to foot by the good woman and her daughter, while Maritornes stood hard by holding a light.) P. 131.—123.

Maritornes the Austrian held the candle, and from the description Cervantes gives of her, she was a fit fervant to hold it to the devil. By the benefit of this light they saw,

L 2 Monstrum,

Monstrum, horrendum, ingens, cuique est Un' auris Adempta.

These Maukins were not so modest as the good lady priorefs, when a fearch was made amongst her Nunns for one, who under that difguife, had made fome of the fifters break their religious vows. For when the matron by accident in the close examination, had her spectacles struck from her nose, she did not venture to stare at the violation of the conventicle, but modestly held her hands before her eyes, and only through her fingers, faw, to her great grief, how rash and inconsiderate fuch vows are upon fecond thoughts, and better meditation. However, they stand excused in some measure, for it is probable, from the Don's late fufferings, they had less to wonder at than the lady prioress; though some people are amazed at trifles.

That may very easily happen, cried the daughter. I myself have often dreamed, that I was falling from a high tower, without ever coming to the ground.) P. 131.—123.

It was a tower with pinnacles then, which she took care to hold fastenough I will warrant her. But the jade recites the dream salse, and in her own person, when it was her Amoroso's, the curate of the Parish; whom she sometimes gratisted with a night's lodging. He dreamed that he sell into a well, and went down, and down, and down, but never came to the bottom; which fright rouzed him from his dream, and on the first motion, he moralized the sable of the well.

A knight-adventurer is a thing, that before you can count a couple, may be kicked and be crowned.)
P. 132.—124.

Sancho might have faid, "A knight-errant is, as you see, a creature, bruised, basted, fwaddled, bed-ridden, and only fit for a madhouse." It has been a matter of much wonder from the account we have of Maritornes, that Quixote did not take her for the monster of the castle, and give her battle like Hercules: who when he ran about mad in his shirt dipped in the blood of Nessus attacked every living thing. She had more the appearance of a monster than a woman, being a fow of the largest breed. In head and ears, she was like an elephant, though neither fo docile nor fo wife as that creature, nor yet fo ferviceable; for in this case, Quixote would absolutely have renounced Dulcinea, and have taken Maritornes, who was able to carry more castles on her back, than he could have taken: Her face

was flat, and very much like an owl's, and her nose adunque like the over-grown beak of an eagle; nor was her voice more melodious than that bird's: Yet this younger sister to her at *Heidelberg*, was enamoured with the name of Knight-errant, and desired to know more of his nature; but Sancho described it in a villainous manner, discovering her inclinations, as he intended, very probably, to join issues with her himself.

And Don Quixote, for the same uncomfortable reason, lay like a hare with his eyes wide open.)
P. 134.—126.

A thousand fears, fancies and chimeras, kept the Don not only like a hare in his eyes, but also in his brains; which being as vertiginous as a whirl-pool, presented ten thousand whirly-gigs, wind-mills, and turnpikes, to his errantick soul, so that by the strength of his imagination, and exalted fancy, he made sallies in the bed, and routed the flocks out of the dilacerated tick, which hung about his body like bees at a swarming, or slies got together in their winter quarters. Thus accoutred, this Knight-errant was rather a shepherd-errant, having his slocks about him.

Mean while the poor wench, confused and affrighted at the approach of her master, who was a fellow of a most savage disposition, retreated to the kennel of Sancho Panza.) P. 137.—129.

If one won't, another will. Quiddere blunt, quoth the old woman to the young man who complained of his wife's coyness, which is a corruption of cæteri volunt. Maritornes expected retaliation from Sancho, whom she had bathed with her own hands, and therefore was determined to be repaid with oleum Anthropinum Hypogastrio applicatum; and if she missed of her aim, she knew it was necessary to shelter herself under his Abdominous Penthouse, till her master's inquisitions were eluded: But old drowfy-pate flept foundly, except that he now and then groaned extremely, being hag-ridden by the Austrian's incumbency, who having gathered herfelf into a circle about his umbilical hillock, hoped by her agglutination, and natural incantation, to have raised his spirits.

The carrier perceiving, by the light, the situation of his missers, ran to her assistance.) P. 138.—129.

The miscarriages and lamentable catastrophe of this love-scene, calls to rememberance the the following story, of a foreigner who visited the university of Oxford, and in his perambulations about the city, passed through a place called Seven-deadly-sins-Lane. As he had before feen the nursery for learning and religion, he imagined this place contained a she-nursery; confident in this opinion, he knocked at a door, to which came a sharpnosed eager woman, unto whom he said, " Madame, is dis te house of lust?" " Of lust you rogue," faid the woman, who having a broom-staff in her hand (with which fhe and her husband had been deciding the controversy for the breeches) she laid about her, and gave the foreigner a broken head for his broken English, whereat he stood corrected, and replied, " I be mistake madame, I find dif be not te house of lust, but te house of wrath.

CHAP. III.

Enchanters never suffer themselves to be seen.)
P. 141.—133.

THE Don is right: Necromancy is De-ceptio visus. Neither Faustus or Vandermast, were visible when they took the bowl out of the emperor's hand, as he lifted it to his head: A voice indeed was heard. Multa cadunt inter calicem supremaque labra. Nor was Bacon feen in the study when the brazen head spoke; which study to this day retains his name. But these were great scholars, and very different kind of men from what the vulgar imagined them to be. The deepest waters pass on in silence; while shallow streams, like shallow heads, make the most noise. Gyges had a ring which rendered him invisible; not that he was fo when Candaules (the fourth king of Lydia) showed his queen naked to him; but the king might have faved his life, had he made his favourite put his ring on, for the queen was fo incenfed at the transaction, that she ordered Gyges to kill him, and then married the murderer, who by

this means obtained a kingdom, and covered her nakedness.

He repeated over it more than fourscore Paternosters, with the like number of Ave-maria's, salve's and credo's, accompanying every word with the sign of the cross, by way of benediction.) P. 143.—135.

The fourscore Pater-Nosters, &c. were nothing more than the following lines, which were the charm, and virtuous operators of the grand effects in the balfam.

Neptune Pater Equorum,
Et tu Sol, qui tenes lorum;
Quadrupedum ignivomorum,
Fac ut ego, qui fum Coram,
Vis vibicum et Dolorum,
Futurus Domitor Monstrorum,
Protector hominum, horum, harum, horum,
Virûm, Mulierum et Orphanorum,
Per hoc Balfamum, Opobalfamorum.
Invulneratus post hâc transcam,
Prim-as Militum Errantium.

This is to be faid, or fung over the caldron, or whatever elfe it is made in, turning round a circle, (in which it is to be placed) with these words upon the border. Octogintos octos per bæc verba, Benedicetur quævis herba.

And being mystically performed, according to the Spanish mode of incantations, the Simples receive their wondrous virtues and qualities, which no doubt operated very powerfully on the Knight, who was one of the simplest in the whole world, and therefore most likely to be cured by them.

This mighty balfam, eall'd Fierabras,
All Æsculapian tricks did far surpass;
And was in fact, the med'cine Catholick,
To cure all wounds receiv'd by sword or stick.

Sancho Panza seeing his master recovered to a miracle, begged he would bestow upon him the sediment of the pot, which was no small quantity.)
P. 144.—135.

The violence of the balfam's operation on the Don, so reduced his strength, that he slept three hours after it, which was more than he had done since he first set out a wool-gathering: When he waked, he was greatly recoverand therefore his over-wise Squire begged a dose for himself, supposing as it had worked a miracle on his master, that it would perform

a wonder at least with him. Full of this hope, he swallowed the whole of the remains in the pot, being willing to have enough, like the wench who defired to be well used by the apothecary, and had fo much given her (for God's fake, by the knavish boy,) over and above the prescribed quantity, that she wished the devil might take him for his courtefy. So Sancho, by over drenching himself, found it operate with more violence than it had done with his master, and therefore cursed the balfam, and the miscreant that made it; not confidering (like the French doctor) that the same physic has different effects on different constitutions, -- If de body (said he) be full of de gross humours, and it operates excessively, all de better for dat; and if de physic does not stir de patient, it is a good sign dat de gross humours are not in de body, and so all de better for dat.

All I desire is, that you will pay the score you have run up in this inn, for provender to your cattle, and food and lodging to yourself and servant.) Page 146.—137.

The Don was aftonished at the invincible ignorance of the host in demanding money for the reckoning, and therefore treated him with contempt, by turning his back upon him and riding

riding off. Sancho heard his master's reafons for non-payment, and from a strong argument (drawn à paritate rei, though not fuljecto) laboured to convince the host of the folly of demanding money of pennyless Knight-errants, but it would not do; and what added to the misfortune, was, that Sancho's beast was neither fo fwift, nor fo manageable as Rozinante; fo that he was left behind for the reckoning, as the ass generally is. As the host had let the Don escape, Sancho urged, like master like man; love me love my dog; besidesmany more fignificant proverbs; as, the devil take the hindermost; where there is nothing to be had the king must lose his right, &c. &c. The hoft could quote proverbs as fast as Sancho, which made the Squire impatient, and therefore he told him, he could not be stoped without manifest danger and violation of the laws of errantry, and then attempted to escape. But the clothiers of Segovia, with their companions the pin-makers of Cordova, and shoemakers of Sevil, who were at the inn at this time, came to the landlord's affistance, and not only pulled Sancho from his ass, but toffed him in a blanket. Thus the Squireerrant became a Squire-volant, and instead of being governor of an island, was made a prince of the air. The Don, who was wait122 Festivous Notes upon

ing at a distance for Sancho, beheld his exaltations with amazement, and considered the adventure as equal to any of his own, this being similar to that of the wind-mill.

CHAP. IV.

We have not gained one battle, except that with the Biscayan; and even there your worship came off with half an ear, and the loss of one side of your helmet; from that day to this good hour, our lot hath been nothing but cudgelling upon cudgelling.) P. 152.—143.

SANCHO might have gone a degree farther, viz. the Yanguesians positive, Maritornes' carrier, comparitive; and the oil-pan, superlative. He exceeds plus plurimum; bessides which, there seems to be a Climax, for the beatings could not be declined by the old rule, so that we must allow of a supersuperlative, and in case of necessity, of a hyper also.

Multa Tulit fecit que puer, sudavit et alsit.

But what Virgil fays of Enæas, is more applicable.

Multum ille et terris jastatus et alto.

I hear nothing, answered Sancho, but abundance of bleating of ewes and lambs! And truly that was the case; for by this time the two flocks were pretty near them.) P. 157.—148

We may truly fay, that the armies were drawn up in the field, and though not composed of giants, yet they were more numerous and unanimous: For, as they say in Scotland, sheep are one and aw; if one runs, aw run. If ever a Knight's wits went a wool-gathering, Quixote's did at this instant; for the flock of sheep were imagined to be an host of men; rams were taken for giants; ewes for ladies; wethers for eunuchs; the black sheep for necromancers; shepherds with their crooks and pipes, for inchanters and martial musicians; the sheep bells for drums; the rutting for the main battalia; and the bullocks for the slaughtered bodies.

CHAP. V.

In my opinion, my good master, all the misventures, which have this day happened to us, are designed as a punishment for the sins committed by your worship, in neglecting to fulfil the eath you took, &c.) P. 163.—154.

Securi de salute, pro gloria pugnant.

SANCHO imputed all their misfortunes to his master's perjuries.

Alius peccat, alius plectitur, Delirant reges, plectuntur Achivi.

Thou art very much in the right, said Don Quixote; to deal ingenuously with thee, Sancho, that affair had actually slipt out of my remembrance; and thou mayest depend upon it, that affair of the blanketing happened to thee for the fault thou wast guilty of, in omitting to put me in mind of it in time.) P. 163.—154.

· Facillimum est accusare.

The Don presently consuted Sancho, with his Te ipsum intueri oportet qui alterum incusas probi; and bid him canvass his own wallet, and turn that part of the budget before where his own crimes should lay, and not throw his errata behind

behind his back. " I am criminal," faid he, " for embracing the illustrious Dulcinea, for fo my fancy imagined Maritornes to be. I was only a trespasser in wish, which is but a small pecadillo, Sancho: But had Dulcinea been really there in person, with all the witchery of love and beauty, I tell thee to my grief, I could not have faid Bo to the goofe; that is, I could not have played the part of a gander: For my diforders rendered me unferviceable, which the Civilians term frigidity quoad hanc. But you, Sancho, had the Austrian Donzella betwixt the sheets, where I am afraid you did not behave so well as was wished. To come to a corporal contract, is the next gradus or step to a Falathra; and the Falathra is the Falathra, Sancho, which is all in all; vet whatever you did, (fub Rosa) I should imagine by the plaudit she gave you, that the work was well done."

They decried upon the road before them, a wast number of lights, that seemed like moving stars, approaching them. Sancho was confounded at the sight, the meaning of which, even Don Quixote could not comprehend) P. 164.—155.

A burnt child dreads the fire, faith the proverb; but the real truth is, the Don and Sancho were never basted parabolically, but liter-

ally in the common notion and acceptation of the word. This adventure at the first view, presaged more danger than any of the former ones, the number of enemies being greater than ever they had met with, except in the adventure of the sheep; add to this, its being night, for Sancho had bad eyes, and could not see to tilt well by candle light. Rozinante and the poor ass, stared and grew wilder at the approach of the lights, than they did at the wind-mill, for they were pretty well acquainted with that adventure. Sancho and his master halted, and began to tremble, but the reader must not condemn them for this Tertian, for they were seldom free from a Quotidian shaking.

Somewhat similar to this is the following

story.

Some fludents of an university in Spain, having agreed to play the tragedy of Petrus* Crudelis; the actors were to be tried privately, that in case of inability, they might be changed. Two scholars in particular, undertook to play the parts of two ghosts, and at the rehearfals, performed so well as to meet with the approbation of the judges: But on the night of exhibition, when they were dressed and

^{*} Petrus, king of Portugal, who murdered all his nobles and relations.

painted agreeable to their characters, and entered meeting one another, they were so amazed and frightened at the ghostly appearance of each other, that they were unable to advance a step, or speak one word, and stood for sometime quaking and trembling, till they excited the audience to laughter, instead of raising the contrary passion; and at last were obliged to retreat, by which means the performance was spoiled.

Which dreadful vision entirely extinguished the courage of Sancho Panza, whose teeth began to chatter, as if he had been in the cold fit of an ague.) P. 165.—156.

The Don did not want Sancho to engage in the danger; and therefore we may suppose he cried out to him,

Hue fuge (nate Die) teque his (ait) eripe Flammis.

And imagining himself to be Hector's ghost, proceeded in his own person:

Defendi possint etiam hâc defensa fuissent.

The chattering of Sancho's teeth, puts me in mind of an Oxford scholar, who was a great eater;

eater; and being invited to a feaft, and made acquainted with the bill of fare, fasted the day before hand. He went to bed early in the evening, in order to prepare himself the better for the next day's encounter. But, O mischance! he was no sooner in bed than asleep, no sooner asleep than in a dream, in which he imagined himself at the feast; and while his teeth went faster than Sancho's, he kept continually crying out, " pray Sir hand the turkey, now the chine; please to advance the rump of beef;" and fo on, till he ran through the bill of fare as perfeetly as if he really had been at the feaft. In the morning when he waked, he found (to his great forrow) his teeth and jaws fo fore, with the violence of his agitation, at the imaginary entertainment, that he was incapable of enjoying the real one.

The mourners being involved and intangled in their long robes, could not stir out of the way; so that Don Quixote, without running any risk, drubbed them all round.) P. 166.—157.

In this victory, he conquered the blacks and the whites too. The finging-men deferted the dead body, and howled out a requiem for themselves, being departed souls, scattered up and down the face of the whole field. The Don, out of all rule, measured their Spanish cloth by the spear, and meant to make a prize of the whole, as it was sub hasta. This was a fine night piece, worthy the pencil of a Zeuxis. Here and there lay the pittyful spoils of the Knights of the blackrobes; ribbons were hacked into patches; gloves cut into thumb-stalls; hat-bands shrivelled into chitterlings; and scutcheons slew in the air like ravens; so that the field became a black heath; and Rozinante, embossed in the pursuit, never went prouder in his life, treading all the way upon Spanish cloth, of twenty shillings a yard.

All this while Sancho stood, beholding with admiration, the courage and intrepidity of the Kaight.) P. 167.—158.

Aut meus Erasmus est, aut Dæmon,

Either this is Don Quixote, or the devil, thought Sancho, who is come to carry the body to the fellowship of the soul.

I befeech your worship, therefore, if you be a Christian, not to kill me, as in so doing you will commit the horrid sin of sacrilege; for I am a licentiate, and have taken holy orders.) P. 167.
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This licentiate was of the lower form of the Levites, and had but lately come from his

Quò vos? ad Glosteros. Quid ibi vos? ad sumendos orderos. Ibimus nos cum vos? etiam si placet vos.

He had no more Latin than the Missale, and that not in Capite, but by heart. This sellow, like many I have heard, could fing in tune, or rather tone, without regard to accents, quantities, and terminations. The Latin tongue seldom suffers purgatory, but in the mouths of these singing men, and I wonder the Pope hath no dispensation, or dirge at least, for the tortures of the Catholick language. Notwithstanding this, their persons are facred, and their callings religious; but it is scandalous, that such gross ignorance should have protection under so holy a shelter.

And who killed him? faid Don Quixote. God himself, replied the batchelor, by means of a pestilential calenture that seized him.) P. 168.—158.

The Don neither feared God, giants, nor pestilential severs, yet, his valour seemed to have some symptoms of discretion in it, and there-

therefore he let the matter alone; not being willing, like Typhaus, to wage war with heaven, least the attempt should be attended with bad consequences. In this case, the Don acted prudently, like the constable, who having met with a drunken Scotchman, strolling the streets very late at night, enquired where he had been? whither he was going? and many more fuch questions, to which he gave no answer. The constable became enraged at his filence, and, calling up a look of dignity and authority, asked, in a peremptory manner, to whom he belonged, or whose fervant he was? To this he replied, Well ha ye asked my friend, I serve a geud laird. A lord, faid the constable (more moderately) what lord? E'en the geud laird of hosts, replied the other. No fooner was this last fentence pronounced, but the constable began to tremble, and ordered the watchmen to let him go for fear of danger, faying to his comrades, " It is some Scotch lord or other, I will warrant you, we had better not 'meddle with him."

"I know Sancho, faid he, that I have incurred the sentence of excommunication, for having laid violent hands on consecrated things, according to the canon; si quis suadente diabolo, &c.") P. 170.—161.

Had the Don been in orders (though it would have been impossible to keep him so long) he might have been the richest man in Europe, upon a less penalty than five pounds a blow, if we consider his various beatings. I knew a quarrelsome scholar at Oxford, who was for ever giving battle, though he always came off worsted: The blows he took pro tempore, and his batterers pro termino; and as his purse failed, had recourse to his hammered noddle, and made some of his debtors pay off their old scores, so that he never was at a loss for money.

But to return to the note. This Juxta illud siquis suadente diabelo, &c. is similar to our bills of indictment. Whereas Don Quixote de la Mancha, contrary to the laws of his Catholick majesty, and the peace of this realm, not having the fear of God before his eyes, did murtherously, bloodily, and felonioufly (in, with, and by the advise, help, and affistance of one Sancho Panza, of the village aforesaid, and servant to Don Quixote aforefaid) difmantle, rob, and rifle a fumpterhorse, als, or mule, and per minas, insultus et Durez, that is to fay, with three hard words, un-horse (ass or mule) unleg, and unable, Alonzo Lopez, ordinary to the fraternity of Nova Prisona; and at the same time took

away, besides his wits (which are not valued) a missale, fix crucifixes, a rosary of beads, twelve indulgencies, as many Agnus deis', two Anathemas, and other considerable things, goods, and chattles, from Alonzo Lopez aforefaid, amounting in all, on a moderate estimate, to the value or fum of thirteen pence half-penny, or there-abouts. Therefore, the faid Don Quixote aforesaid, and the said Sancho Panza aforesaid, are hereby indicted, arraigned, and charged to be guilty in the first place of wit-murder, fecondly, of feveral facrileges, and thirdly and lastly, of pilfering; and so we leave them to the consciences of twelve honest and true jury-men, and to the wisdom and mercy of a righteous judge, to do with them, what the law in these cases enacts and requires. *

^{*} This is no bad fatire on the loquaciousness of law preambles.

CHAP. VI.

This grass, my good master, proves beyond all contradiction, that there must be some spring or rivulet hereabouts, by which it is watered, and therefore, we had better proceed a little farther, until we find where-with to allay this terrible thirst, which is more painful and fatiguing than hunger alone.) P. 172.—163.

I T is a great query in the fcruple-house of nature, which a man may best and longest indure, hunger or thirst; want of meat, or want of drink. The Bacchanalians, or brethern of the spicket, state the question in the negative, and lay down for a fundamental, that there is no living without liquids, not one day. The Bilbos, the Trouts, the Aristippians, the Beereans, the Canarians, and Claretteers, all ancient philosophers, followed the opinion and practise of Conful Bibulus, and of the comprehensive Tholus and his cotemporary Fuscus, according to the measure of that draught which was,

- Dignum sitiente Tholo, vel conjugo Fusci.

A goddard, or rummer of the fame fize with the cann of Silenus; and the whole school
(I mean

(I mean schola bidendi) and their affeclæ bibaculorum, madidorum, and temulentorum, who are the greatest and most spreading sect in the world, follow this standard to a drop for their morning and evening draught, which is called in the most authentick and emphatical word they have, super naculum. Amongst these, it is an undeniable principle, that vita confissit in humido, and that a dry foul, quatenus talis, cannot last. The intrinsical, radical moisture must be supplied, recruited, and replenished, with the extrinsical liquids: For, by the constant and quotidian succours, you provide against the conflagration of the microcosm which, like that of the greater magnitude, must and will, unless prevented by those provident rules, die of a burning fever. The adverse party, who stile themselves brethren of the Fange, being fober fellows, are for having all conveyances dispatched the old way, by indent of tooth, and making provifion for the flesh, make the flesh their provision. These lay down for their Axioms and Dogmata, Tempus edax rerum; which they translated, eat at all times; Totos ponit apros. Be not ashamed to have a stomach like a swine, ede, lude, live to eat.

Cum morte summa voluptas;

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There is no happiness in the grave, which is always devouring, never satisfied, eating even these great eaters themselves. They strengthen their argument with variety of learned precepts, such as,

Animal propter convivia natum, Homines fruges consumere nati.

These considered rationally, and like natural philosophers, and computed the many parts, joints, finews, arteries, veins, bones, fimilar, diffimilar, homogeneous, heterogeneous, spermatick, fanguinary, muscular, guttural, dental, mandibular, &c. &c. which are all to be maintained out of the kitchin-natural, the stomach, by the provider the mouth. But how is it posfible to facisfy the several interests of so many ravenous expectants, especially as this microcosm is full of microcosms, and every one of us, even the least infant in the universallity of men, hath as much to maintain, as the greatest giant in the world: Wherefore Saturn (the very Lunsford* of the deities) taught

^{*} This Lunsford, was a colonel of the king's party, whom the other party represented, as having a brutal appetite, that he devoured children, &c. reporting,

taught us what to do rather than starve. Lycaon followed his steps, and indeed it has
since their time been much practised: Homo
bomini lupus; we may eat one another till
there is but one man left, and so the world
may end as it began.

"If thou tellest thy tale in this manner," cried Don Quixote, "repeating every circumstance twice over, it will not be finished these two days.")
P. 178.—169.

Once upon a certain time it fell out, and fo happened, &c. &c. is the natural cement of most tales. The custom of ridiculous speeches prevail with most men, who having used themselves to some impertinent phrase, cannot, even in matters of the greatest consequence, forego it. A judge giving his charge at an assize, with great gravity and solemnity, frequently made use of the ridiculous phrase, in that kind: As, gentlemen of the jury, you ought to enquire after

porting, that when he fell, a child's arm was found in his pocket. He was killed at the taking of Bristol; and is said by the loyalists to have been a person of extraordinary sobriety and courage. He is mentioned by Butler, in his Hudibrass; Part III. Cant. H. Ver. 1092.

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recusants in that kind; and such as do not frequent the church in that kind; but above all, such as haunt ale-houses in that kind; notorious whoremasters in that kind; drunkards and blasphemers in that kind, are to be presented in that kind, as the law in that kind directs. A gentleman being asked, after the court rose, how he liked the judges charge? answered, it was the best in that kind he ever heard.

Did not I tell you to keep a good account? faid Sancho, now before God! the tale is ended.) P. 180.—171.

The tale is lost, just as the fellow lost his Eel because he could not hold it; or Tantalus his apples, because he could not catch them; or the fellow his geese; or as his tale began who was to relate a story before the emperor Vespasian, whose ill-favoured face prevented his speaking, till he was commanded to begin; when he excused himself, and said, he would stay till his excellency came from stool, which he guessed was the emperor's present business by his sace; but as the emperor could not change his sace, the story-teller was obliged to change the room. In like manner Sancho's story ended very abruptly, leaving Torralva on one side of the river, and the

goat-herd on the other: Like the Scotchman and his wife, who were more unhappily fevered by a fimilar accident; for Jany and her geud lown were travelling, and came to a bury, which at that time over-flowed; here they were obliged to halt, and stood gaping ean at ather, till a traveller on horseback passing that way, proffered the courtely of a waft alternately to them both. The Scotchman bleffed him with bath his hands, and said, in geud faith Sir, let Jany gang first, and I will stay till you return. So Fany got up behind the traveller, and was very thankful for the favour, even more than became her, for being wafted over, she permitted her conductor to take fome unbecoming familiarities with her; which Jocky beholding, cried out, why Jany, what an a labour an you at? wha werks this Jany? waws me, O for a dry burg! For want of which, like the Don's keeping an account of the goat's, the tale is ended.

CHAP. VII.

In that neighbourhood were two villages, one of them so poor and small, that it had neither Shop nor barber; for which reason, the trimmer of the larger, that was hard by, served the lesser alfo.) P. 190.-180.

THIS transient face-mender in time, would have made a good Knight-errant; he was for the tournament, and could hit a hair: A man inured to martial instruments, which, if he had but the spirit to have drawn, the very fight of his tweezers would have brought the Don to a stand. But furely, the dull rogue shaved with a pumice-stone, and clipped with a pair of hedge-sheers; and though by the custom of Spain, he might ride on an ass to his customers; yet it feems by his flight, that his agility rather lay in his feet than his fingers. The tonfors of England, do not appear to be under the influence of Aquarius, but of nimble Mercury, who hath fo spiritized their whole œconomy, that they are quick-filver to the fingers ends; for one may almost swear by the swiftness of their motions, that their hands are the primum Movens, and ultimum Moriens

Moriens of their whole bodies. Nor, are the rest of their parts less active, for their tongues are as fluent as their fingers; and except in one fense of the word, seldom lye still. Their shops are the forges of invention; the magazines of news, more frequented than a bookseller's stall: Thither the mongers refort for matter and inspiration; for after an effectual excitation of the ingenious atoms of the Pericranium, the spirits of the brain rise by a kind of contagion, and then the nimble factories of the fancy, move all their subtle engines of device, and prefently (like Minerva out of Jupiter) issues all those diurnal births, which fill the Mercuries and Gazettes for the whole world.

I am not quite clear in that particular, reflied the Knight; and in such a dubious case, till such time as we can get better information, I think thou mayest exchange the furniture, if the necessity for so doing be extreme.) P. 193.—183.

A council of war is called, to know whether they shall admit the Trojan as into their wooden society. The Don was president of the council, and Sancho the advocate, being always a pleader for some illegal prize or other. Quixote resused to do an act of injustice, or derogation from the honour of his Knight-

Knight-errantry, though requested to it by his friend Sancho; for if a Knight-errant steals in propria persona, he is uncalendered for ever, and his name expunged the ephemerides of king Arthur's knights. But exchange is no robbery, especially if it is done by the Squire and not by the knight. In cases of irresistible necessity, as, when Jugurth's horse, Alexander's elephant, and Cyrus's dromedary were shot under them (or rather flain, for they lived before the invention of guns and gun-powder) it was lawful to take the first they could-meet with: Nor did Alexander think it any difgrace to ride on a camel, when his elephant was gone. The Don, however, decreed and ratified, that Sancho should have all the bona mobilia (preter ipsum Corpus) of the prize ass taken in lawful fight, and translate them upon the back of his own afs.

Thou art not much in the wrong, replied Don Quixote.) P. 195.—185.

Sancho was a politic fellow, and knew how to raise his master's frenzy. Name but an emperor, a king, a queen, a lady, a giant, a castle, a monster, &c. &c. and he became an Orlando Furioso, a Hercules Furens, a Jeronymo, his imagination carrying him beyond

the Sophy of Persia, into a more remote kingdom, where the king of that kingdom was rescued by that knight, that was in love with that daughter, that was heir to that king, that was opprest by that giant, that was slain by that knight, &c. &c. &c.

The king, who is to be my father-in-law.)
P. 200.—190.

The repetition of the king his father-in-law, is like the phrase used by the illegitimate son of a nobleman, who used to say, the lord his father allowed him so much for this thing, and so much for tother; and the lord his father, kept the best horses and hounds in the country, &c. But being in company one day, and making use of this phrase very often, a gentleman replied, Sir, I have often heard you talk of the lord your father, but the devil a word you say of the whore your mother.

And even if thou wast not so well qualified, it would be of no signification, because I being king, can confer nobility upon thee, without putting thee to the expence of purchasing.) P. 201.

—191.

The fountain of honour may give titles, though it cannot give deferts and abilities: But honours are frequently bought and fold, which which is the rife of the numerous nobility in the Spanish kingdoms. Though, indeed, an Accipianus Pecunian, & Dimittanus Asinum, is a current maxim in all countries, where an importunate rich coxcomb is gratisted for his token, which never fails.

C H A P. VIII.

Since that is the case, resumed his master, here the execution of my office is concerned, to annul, force, and bring succour to the miserable.)
P. 203.—193.

THIS was Argumentum ad hominem. Exempli gratiâ.

Every thing under force is rescuable by my function;

All these slaves are under force, Ergo, they are rescuable by my function.

The fyllogism is a very strong one. A demonstration, à priore, as to the Don; as à Posseriore, to the slaves: The major no man durst deny, it was Probatio Leonina! quis ausus est quartam partem? The minor was as visible as the nose on his face; and the conclusion undeniable, per sacula seculorum. Thus by one syllogism in two figures, the

Don proved himself into an adventure very logically; his mood being in Barbara, as to the matter of the rescue; and in Bocardo, as to the issue; à quo, as to the slaves; and ad quen, as to himself and Sancho, who could never persuade his master to any prudential forbearing of criminal encounters: But the Don's head converted every thing into the gross humours of errantic valour; which is fomewhat fimilar to a clergyman, who always preached against non-residency, let his text be ever so foreign from the subject. The priest being himself unbeneficed, and a ubiquetary, made bold (sede vacante) to pay the non residentiaries, for not stopping his mouth with a living. Some of his waggish auditors, determined to give him a text which should not enable him to stick to his old subject. The text they gave him was, Abraham begat Isaac. The next Sunday he mounted the pulpit, and had no fooner named his text, but he began; " A plain text beloved, against non-residents; for, if Abraham had not kept the company of his good woman Sarah; that is, had not been resident, then Isaac had not been born.

The priest's infatuation was like a metaphysical disputant at Oxford, who, let the question be, an Zabarella fuit scriptorum opt. maximus? would bring the confounded replicant to materia prima, by due form of argu-

ment; where if he caught him, Tenet occidita; he would contund, and extra-mund him, more than materia prima itself was at the Chaos.

A man of a venerable aspect, with a long white beard hanging down to his girdle.) P. 206 .- 196.

Non barba facit philosophum.

A man may have a large beard, and yet be a pimp; and another may have never a hair on his head, and yet be a whoremaster; a third may have no beard, and yet be a eunuch. Fronti nulla fides. Black-beards are bad, brown dangerous, yellow worse, and red worst of all.

> Etade virtute locuti------Clunem agitant.

And finding himself treated by him in this haughty manner, tipped the wink to his companions, who retiring with him at a small distance, began to shower forth a number of stones upon their deliverer.) P. 215 .- 204.

See the wheel of fortune! O viciffitude! O moon! O madness! to think it can be otherwise to men under the moon! Trust not to honour, she's an Eel; nor to victory, she's a wheel; nor to riches, they are witches; nor to popularity, that short-liv'd charity; mor to friends, for love is for ends.

Ungrate-

Ungrateful Passamonte! to reward the renowned Don Quixote with a peal of stones, for gloriously delivering you from the hands of the Philistines.

CHAP. IX.

Benefits conferred on base-minded people, are like drops of water thrown into the sea.) P. 216.—205.

-Perditur Oceano gutta.

WE have an English proverb (though not against ingratitude) full as smart; for to be unthankful is nearly allied to being insensible; so that to grease a fat sow of the tail, is somewhat similar. But these two proverbs, in their applications, are not alike, for sew throw water into the sea; or, if once they have done it, they seldom do it a second time. Such is the disposition of human nature; we love and expect applause and flattery, for the savours we bestow, and if we miss of the vain-glorious harvest, we scarcely ever sow seed in that barren and Lethwan ground again.

But it shall be on condition, that thou shalt never, either in life or death, bint to any person O 2 what-

what soever, that I retired, and avoided this peril through fear, but merely in compliance with thy earnest request.) P. 217 .- 206.

This adventure of Retirement was one of the fafest they ever encountered, and was of Sancho's projecting; politically engaged with an oath of fecrecy. It would well become all spirits of equal understandings, and equal fuccess with these of the Don's, to swear their feconds, never to reveal the unfortunate issue of their encounters, nor the necessities of a retreat.

C H A P. X*.

" By beaven, it is false, cried Don Quixote, with great indignation and impetuosity, as usual; that report is the effect of malice, or rather meer wantonness. Queen Madasima was a most royal dame.") 240.-228.

IF the Don had permitted Cardenio to have compleated his story, he would not have been fo violent in the defence of the ladies; but (âltera parte inauditâ the Don hearing but with

^{*} The greatest part of this chapter is filled with Cardenio's story, as he related it to Don Quixote, only Mr. Gayton has verfified it; " because," says he, " as it is long, the beflowing feet upon it,

with one ear) this matter produced a difpute, for who knew queen Madasima, or Elifabat, better than our Knight? But they being imaginary beings, no where to be found, I am of opinion with Cardenio, that they were together. Though, as the lady was only a chimera, a name and nothing else, the Don might justify the chastity of a queen and no queen; a lady and no lady; a name and no body: But Cardenio's mad fit coming on, he was determined to have the best of the argument, and confuted the Don flat on his back, not by reason, but with a well-guided stone; indifferent for the present, whether Madasima was incontinent with Elisabat or not. Poor Sancho, seeing his master so roughly handled, came to his affistance. What a pity it is, that good nature should betray a man into mischief? Yet aliquod Malum, propter vicinum, and like master like man, was a proverb at this time fully exemplified, for Cardenio conquered both of them.

will make it pass away the quicker." His introducing it in this work, was very improper, it being a part of the history, and as his poetry in general is very lame and indifferent, no other reason need be affigned for the omission.

CHAP. XI.

If it were the will of heaven, that beasts spoke as they did in the days of Hyssop*, I should be less uneasy, because I would converse with my ass at pleasure; and that would be some comfort to me in my missortunes.) P. 243.—231.

SANCHO dislikes the incomparable use of silence; admirable, if voluntary, but less commendable if imposed. He wishes that beasts had the gift of speech; but it is their silence that hath kept them so long in peace and amity: There are no challenges amongst them, no duels, no wars. They have a few natural sounds for the significations of their several wants or satisfactions, and being speechless, live contented and grow sat upon it; for talking spends the spirits, and Livia's would never be fat.

^{*} Dr. Smollet gives us the word Hyffop, as a corruption of Æfop. Mr. Jarvis translates it Guisopete, which is the Spanish name of Æfop. The first is best, being most agreeable to Sancho's dialect.

Eheu quam pingui macer est mihi Taurus in Arvo?

Amongst reasonable creatures, to whom language is given, the least talkative are accounted the wisest. What a miserable thing it is, to hear people, almost every where, saying, would my tongue had been out when I spoke it. That tongue of your's will undo you, &c. &c.

From hence the ignorant and malicious vulgar took occasion to say, and suppose, that she admitted of his caresses: But, they lie—I say again, all those who either say or think so, lie in their throats, and I will tell them so two hundred times over.) P. 244.—232.

Had Madasima and Elisabat, been other than imaginary beings, one should have thought the Don bribed to this defence. He is determined to carry his point, and maintain his argument by force; which is the only way some things have been maintained and supported: This kind of consutation hath been practifed in other countries besides Spain. Quixote's resolution to defend the character of Elisabat, might be sounded in self-interested views, for he was a surgeon, and probably a barber-surgeon, and in that case, he hoped to exchange basons with him,

152 Festivous Notes upon him, for *Mambrino*'s helmet was rufully battered.

If I apprehend the matter aright, faid Sancho, the knights who played fuch mad pranks were provoked, and had some reason to act these sooleries and penance: But what cause hath your worship to turn madman.) P. 247.—235.

Insanio cum ratione.

Sancho was the wifest of the two, for he thought it absurd for his master to be mad, or to fuffer hardships unprovoked; and I shall supposed he reasoned with him as follows. I, Sir, have lost my als, and therefore should I run mad it would be a pardonable thing in me. But you have lost nothing but your wits and your way home. Dulcinea, your mistress, lady, queen, or whatever else you please to call her, has given you no cause to go beside yourself; she is chaste, virtuous, and honourable, whom neither prince, knight, inchanter, moor, nor the devil himself can seduce; why then should you run mad? Amadis had reason for his madness, his mistress was a pouting flut, a fullen huffey, but by jove, I would have curried her coat for her, before I would have run mad. My wife is fometimes in the mubble-fubbles, and what do you think I do, master, of mine? why, I take take my as and go to the next town, and there I stay as long as I please, and let her sulks subble out as they mubbled in. Orlando, also, was not mad without reason, for Angelica made him horn-mad; but you are an obstinate madman, and will be mad, because you will be so.

As there is no paper to be had in this place.)
P. 254.—242.

It is a great query, whether it would not have been more for the interests of mankind, if the invention of making paper had never been introduced into the world: Not that paper is of itself pernicious, dangerous, or of evil consequence; it being the fairest child of foul parents, that ever was, even to the converting the axiom, corruptio pessimi est generatio Optimi; for from flips and fnips, irreconcilable and super-annuated shirts and shifts, come very fair sheets: So, that, had not writing and printing corrupted fo admirable an invention, by the pestilent matter they impress upon it, the project might have proved an universal benefit. The same objection may be raised against gun-powder and tobacco; for many have imagined, that their inconveniencies exceed their conveniencies.

All the poets, who have celebrated ladies, under names which they invented at pleasure, had not really such mistresses as they describe.) P. 257.

—244.

What harm had the poets done him, that he should infinuate their mistresses were only chimerical and imaginary? And that they never knew the delights of a nuptial night, or came to a Zonam folvit diu ligatam, or reaped the sweet pledges of those pleasant encounters? Homer, Ovid, and Virgil, were married men, and Petrarch, had his chaste and unblemished Laura. Poets are composed of such volative spirits, that unless they are fixed at home with amiable objects of their own, not Cæsar's Livia would be free from their inveiglings.

CHAP. XII.

Flourish then the memory of Amadis! and let him be imitated as much as possible, by Don Quixote de la Mancha.) P. 264.—251.

S Econd thoughts are sometimes best. To retract from an evil design, not only shews wisdom, but that a man is master of his passions and humours; whereas, some men are so resolute and bigotted to their own judgments

ments and opinions, that if once they engage in any particular scheme, they will pursue it, however opposed by self-reproofs and inconveniencies. The Don wisely forsook his first resolution of tormenting, and almost annihilating himfelf, and determined to follow the example of Amadis, being more easy and rational. Similar to this, is the story of a perfon, who having been at a gaming house, and lost his money and estate, grew desperate, and determined to hang himself on the first convenient fign-post he came to. Coming o a proper place, he fixed his garters, and was preparing for execution, when on a fudden, a merry thought came into his head, which diverted him from his purpose, and he went away, faying to himself, "I reprieve thee from day to day, till thou diest a natural death."

He found an unsurmountable difficulty in the want of an hermit to confess and console him.)
P. 264.—252.

We have no account of the words of confession in the history, but I have it in my power to satisfy the curious reader.

The Confession of Don Quixote, taken from fome fragments of Cid Hamet Benengeli, originally in Latin.

Gran-

T.

Grandæve, & constans Pater, Fateor Me non esse Dominum de Gateor, Nec, (quantumvis amens hic amando) Furiosum, qui dictus est Orlando, Sed per Orbiculos Petri & Pauli (Hos fellis globos) sum Amadis du Gauli.

II.

Erravi fateor, cum patribus meis, Erravi pater, cum, & sine eis: Doce, quæso, quo me vertam, quia Nec sui, nec suturus sum in viâ.

III.

In aurem fateor hæc susurrans Juvenis consilium omne abhorrens, Consulta sprevi matris atque Patris, Qui designaverunt me aratris.

IV.

Sed addixi me Legendis Libris
Permendacibus & comburendis,
Ubi de militibus pugnacibus
Invulneratis Ferro, & facibus
Miranda vidi, & mulieres
Quas vivendo pænè Lapis fieres;
Sed pater, quod ad res venereas,
Si quid unquam novi, malè Pereas.

Paren-

V.

Parentibus defunctis per dium
Et Domus erant mihi tædium.
Fabulis refertus feror pronus
Ut miles essem, valeat Colonus.
Conscendo æquum mox & capio arma,
Et cum Conto Cuspide, & Parmâ,
Quæ non tuli (pater) quæ non feci?
Plusquam (quando egressus sum) conjeci.

VI.

Enumerare velim libens, &c. &c.

These stanzas were engraved on different trees, but whether the fixth was erased by time or weather, or lest unfinished originally, is uncertain.

However, it will not be amiss to leave him, engrossed by his sighs and poetry; in order to recount what happened to Sancho Panza, in the execution of his embassy.) P. 266.—253.

Sancho is on his journey to Toboso, but not like Bellerophontes, with letters to his own undoing. He arrived at the inn, where he encountered the adventure of the blanket; which indignity disturbed his valiant soul, and made him resolve not to enter the house; but being discovered by the curate and bar-

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ber, who were there at that time, is prevailed on, by threats and intreaties, to relate the business of his journey. But, O mischance! when he searched for the letter in order to have it transcribed by the curate, behold, it was gone! supposing he had lost it by the way, he began to revenge himself upon himself, and tore his beard * up by the roots. The curate and barber were astonished at his violence, and endeavoured to persuade him from it, but all to no purpose, for great grief is insensible and impatient of advice.

^{*} I thought he had lost his beard before, in the scusse with Cardenio and the Goatherd. Our author forgot himself here, though the same mistake is made by Cervantes.

CHAP. XIII.

The landlady dressed up the curate in a most curious manner.) P. 272.—260.

THE dress was rather antique, being fomewhat fimilar to the mode of drefs in good king Bamba's * days, who was regardless of fashions; but would have been ridiculous in the time of Cambyses +, for history informs us he was a most courtly prince, and a great observer of modes and ceremonies in Arabia. Now, though this dress would have moved any ordinary person to laughter, it doubtless had a contrary effect with the Don, who feeing a lady submitting herself in such a garb to his protection, and styling him her deliverer, restorer, and revenger of her injuries, would instantly imagine, that fome giant, or inchanter, had robbed her castle, killed her knight, stole the young princess, stripped her of every thing valuable, and reduced her to the necessity of wearing fuch a dress: So that it was the more likely to raise a higher thirst for revenge in his errantic-foul.

^{*} King of the Visigoths, in Spain.

[†] The Son of Cyrus, and king of the Medes and Persians, who added Ægypt to his dominions.

At that inflant Sancho chanced to come up, and feeing them in fuch a garb, could not refrain from laughing.) P. 274.—261.

Per multos risos poteros cognoscere stultos.

Though it is the fign of a fool to laugh often or excessively, it is the part of rational men to laugh fometimes, especally when risible objects present themselves. The contrary-passionate philosophers Heraclitus and Democritus, cried and laughed at the same objects. The curate's beard was not more ridiculous than Sancho's, yet he sneered at it, not having feen his own face in a glass since he left home. The intention of this foolish metamorphosis, was commendable in one point, though ridiculous in the other; for however well they were disposed, who in their fenses would attempt to regain a perverse, obstinate, mad Knight-errant? If a man was to examine himself impartially, and scrutinize his actions through life, he would ingeniously confess, Inter ridenda & deflenda tempus esse perditum, and might compare himfelf to the head with 'two faces, the one weeping, and the other laughing.

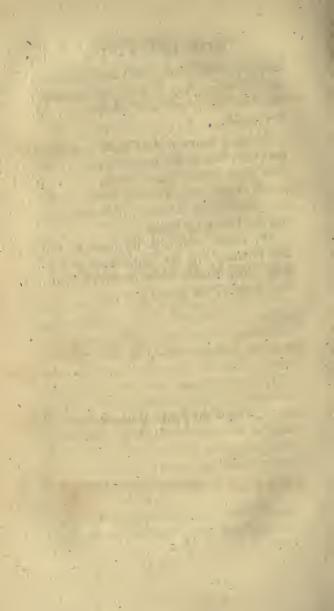
While they lay at their ease, under the covert of this shade, their ears were saluted with the sound

found of a voice, which, though unaccompanied by any instrument, sung so sweet and melodiously, that they were struck with astonishment.) P. 275.—262.

Such rare strains, so excellently sung, made the curate and barber imagine them to come from some extraordinary person, and so it proved; for on their searching for the person, they sound it was *Cardenio*, of whom mention has been made before.

Mr. Gayton concludes his notes on this first Volume, with the continuation of Cardenio's story in verse, which is omitted for the same reason as the former part was.

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TEXT.

Thrice happy and fortunate was that age, which produced the most audacious Knight Don Quixote de la Mancha.) P. 1.—1.

Fælix illa dies! quæ magni Conscia partûs, Quixotum terris, & tibi Mancha dedit.

IT is very probable, that he was cotemporary with Garagantua, or the Knight of the Sun; though, by his wildness and wandering, he seems to have been most conversant with the Knights of the Moon, who every month drop from that orb, and perform strange feats in this. In the register of the

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the Mancha, there is nothing to be found but these words, which are preserved with great art and care: Hab: Lunat: Quix: Anno ante Orb: Cond. P. 10.

All three stood gazing attentively at the apparition.) P. 2.—2.

Notwithstanding their wonder and admiration, the curate neither counted his beads, nor repeated his pater-nosters; yet, this most magnetic piece so powerfully affected him, that he was resolved to approach nearer to it, being for a contactus, which was natural; and probably, if occasion had offered for a contractus, which would have been spiritual in the ecclesiastical court; but nos inter nos, very carnal.

This chapter concludes with *Dorothea*'s flory, as related in the history, only in verse, like *Cardenio*'s, which I omit, for reasons before given.

CHAP. II.

I will then use that privilege to which every gentleman is intitled, and in single combat, demand satisfaction for the injury he has done you.)
P. 21.—21.

THIS text, naturally leads me to make some remarks on the pernicious practice of duelling. Were we to fet aside all laws, human and divine, duelling feems to be an unjustifiable piece of fortitude, or rather false valour. But, if we come with this argument into the school of defence, we shall be branded as cowards; while the maintaining a challenge against our brother (not only of the fword, but in nature) is accounted honourable. There is one thing that will ever be a check to these hectors, and that is, that after a duel, even the conqueror is obliged to fly, which is a cowardly action. To this they will answer, that it is for fear of the laws of their country. What pretention have they to honour, who dare commit an action they are ashamed of, in defiance of all Christian laws? What is generally disapproved of, no one should venture to attempt; and fince the practice of duelling is made unlawful by most nations, for obvious and humane reasons, it is unnatural, and morally evil. At

At that instant they heard and recognized the voice of Sancho, who, not finding them in the place where he had left them, hollowed aloud.)
P. 22.—22.

He might have cried out, bread and meat for the lord's fake (for his half starved lord's fake) who, with hunger and cold, had almost put an end to his errantry.

Sancho's hollowing out till he found his friends, puts me in mind of the following flory:

A fool, belonging to a nobleman, in days of old, being displeased with some ill usage from the family, disappeared, and was not to be found. A fool belonging to a neighbouring lord, undertook to search after him, affuring the family he would soon find his cousin Tony. His method was this, he went all over the house, and in every room he came to, he cried out, "O Tony, are you there? I see you." At last, coming to the place where the fool had secreted himself, and still crying out, "O Tony, I see you, that I do," the other answered from his lurking place, "O but you do not."

I condescend and grant it, resumed the knight, provided in so doing, I ast neither to the detriment nor derogation of my king and country.) P. 26.—26.

Two obligations which he had forfeited over and over, and yet we see how tender his conscience was in a point he had so often violated. This faithful lover of king and country, was under the privy fearch of the holy brotherhood, for the rescue of his majesty's slaves. fent to the gallies; the country was full of hues and cries for the adventure of the sheep, which all his Manchegan estate would not satisfy; the helmet of Mambrino, was stolen from the poor village-barber, who was determined to arrest him the first time he met with him; and the prefent sustenance which Sancho, his receiver and treasurer had, were the spoils of Cardenio's port-manteau; to these we may add, the demands of his hofts, who were his unwilling creditors, and intended to unhorse him if ever he came in their way.

Pray Mr. Licentiate, what cause hath brought you hither alone, &c. &c.) P. 33.—32.

The curate was put to a grand case of conscience, whether in point of urgent necessities, as the saving a friends life from perils of robbers, or any other accident (legally to be

permitted) or from the obstinate melancholly of a person, sworn and devoted to ruin himfelf and family; in fuch a case, for a majus beneficium, or bonum Reipublicæ, or to ones ownfelf, whether the lips of the preacher is always to speak truth? if the frequency of lying might excuse it, it will easily meet with justification. He answered his mental objection mentally, faying, In foro, coram fudice, in pulpito, coram Episcopo in rebus litem dirimentibus, he was substantially, really, and verily to speak the truth, and nothing but the truth; but in extrajudicial cases, and such as propose either a public or private good end, he was fatisfied he might transgress the beaten path of truth, and follow that road which was most expedient to his honest designs; reckoning these matters amongst the peccadillos and venialia, which are never placed to account in the black book. But, by-the-bye, his transgression was one of the most barefaced lies I ever heard of; for had the legacy of the fixty thousand pieces of eight been true, how was it possible for him and the barber to have carried it with them, in good filver, as he affirmed? As to the second lye, viz. their being robbed of it by the gally flaves, the differtation of divinity at the end of it, will in fome measure attone for it, for with

with a very little enlargement, it might pass for a homily on charity.

CHAP. III.

Scarce had the curate pronounced this apostrophe, when Sancho blundered out, "then in good faith, Mr. Licentiate, he who performed this exploit, was no other than my master.") P. 34.

TO what purpose is it, for a wise lord to contrive and plot well, and have treacherous servants, sellows that are conscience-touched with a sermon? Such timorous rogues are not fit for great designs, and noble engagements. The Don heard all the curate said, appeared unconcerned, and kept the secret; nay probably, like some of our worldly hypocrites, could have railed against his own villany to avoid suspicion; and in case he thought himself powerful enough, would have made bold to justify it, for it is the opinion of some daring souls, that the more they are seared, the more they are obeyed.

"In the first place gentlemen, you must know, that my name is——". Here she made a full stop, having forgot how the curate had christened her.) P. 36.—35.

Oportet mendacem esse memorem.

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Sinon made no scruple of that infamous lie about the Trojan horse, but with a solemnity commanding belief, laid the whole affair on the gods, and called it their artifice.

Divina Palladis Arte.

The motto under the text to this note, That liars ought to have good memories, leads me to notice the memories of persons of very different characters. Cæsar's memory was so strong, that he could call all his foldiers by their names. Seneca remembered all he had read, and all he had written. Some remember more than they should, and others not so much. Dorothea forgot herself at first setting out with her story, it being all fiction, but after the first halt, she went on with a good grace.

Don Quixote hearing this circumstance, cried, what do you think now, friend Sancho?) P. 39 -39.

The Don is transported, and being raised in his judgement and imagination, supposes the work done, before it is begun; the enemy flain, the queen restored, himself inaugurated and naturalized, his royal robes on, and the glittering enfigns of his fate and dignity born before him, while, passing through crouds

crouds of adorning suppliants, he is proclaimed king of Micomicon.

For, while my memory is engrossed, my will enslaved, and my understanding subjected to her who——I say no more; but that it is impossible I should incline, or have the least thought towards marrying any other person, though she were a perfect Phænix.) P. 41.—40.

Neither beauty, virtue, nor affability, are the objects of every ones love: For we frequently make choice of wives, who are neither fair nor fensible. There are others, who give the preference to beauty alone, and yet fail of being happy; though this is not to be wondered at, for if beauty alone is the attracting object, it is foon in eclipse like the fun, and being lost to view, ceases to be admired. Many Ariadnes have been despised and rejected long before the honey-moon has been over, and have undergone more tedious and cruel seperations, than that of Penelope's of old. The Don's affections were fixed, but what the perfections of Dulcinea were; we have not yet been told; and therefore it is probable his love was like the man's in the epigram.

Non amo te (fabidi) nec possium dicere quare; Hoc tantum possium dicere, non amo te è Converso.

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The Don's irrefragable constancy to Dulcinea, and refusal of this Phænix, provoked Sancho's ambitious spirit, and made him chatter like a jay.

Sancho was so much disgusted at this last declaration of his master, refusing the marriage, that raising his voice, he cried, with great indignation, "Signor Don Quixote, I vow and swear your worship is crazy.") P. 41.—40.

What, despise a Phænix? O owl! thou haft kept company with bats, buzzards, and beetles, in your retirement in the defert! It is obstinate blindness to shut your eyes against the Phænix of the age, made bright by the ashes of affliction, and hunt after a pole-cat: One glance of the queen's eye, is more lovely and bewitching, than Dulcinea's heart, were she to cast it up; which, would it were out, rather than it should prevent us in our progress to honour. Pray, Sir, settle your affection here, and despise that scavenger's load at Toboso. Though not in these words, to this effect exclaimed Sancho against his master's ignorance and stupidity, which raised the Don's wrath, and drew down vengeance on the Squire.

----- Manet altâ mente repostûm Judicium stolidi, spretæque injuria Doudæ. Wars have been waged, and nations embroiled in blood one against another, upon similar occasions.

CHAP. IV.

"All this is pretty well; proceed, said Don Quixote: How was that queen of beauty employed when you arrived? I dare say, you found her stringing pearls, &c.) P. 47.—46.

THIS dialogue between the Don and Sancho, concerning the high and mighty Dulcinea, may be compared to those of Lucian, it being Laus & vituperium Rei, full of hyperbolical and ridiculous flatteries on the Don's side, and blunt downright abuses on Sancho's.

Some friendly sage must have carried thee through the air, though thou didst not perceive it.) P. 51.—51.

Mephistopholus is the spirit of expedition, and consigned to attend on Knight-errants, their ladies, and affairs; for the Knights and Squires ride as if the devil was under them, and their ladies, as if the devil was in them, or over them: Pacclet's horse for the lords, and Ephialtes the night-mare for their viragos; probably Dulcinea, committed Sancho to the care of one of her familiars, who gave him

the Presto and a vade celeriter through the air; but he came not flying, but lying, all the way. By the help of these Necromantical pneumatergies, the famous Drake encompassed the world, and shot the great gulph, where as we are told, he remained three days before he rose again *.

Wherefore, without troubling yourself at prefent, about my lady Dulcinea, I would have you go and slay the giant.) P. 53.—52.

Well advised, Sancho, always kill the bear before you divide the skin. The Squire is for a head in a platter, a thief in chains, a mastiff in a muzzle, a bird in hand, and a sish in the net. Such plain and easy proverbs learned in his rustical life, were of great use to him in his military affairs, for he was now a soldier of fortune, and it concerned him as much as his earldom, to have the giants head in his wallet, by way of removing all difficulties and obstructions to his honour and preferment. He was like the Irish soldier,

^{*} From the conclusion of this note, it is probable, some such story had been told of *Drake*; be that as it will, some of our modern voyagers have imposed things on the public equally as miraculous.

who feeing an enemy dead, did not think him fecure till he cut off his head, and then boafted he had killed him.

In like manner, faid Sancho, I have heard a priest in the pulpit observe, that we must love our Saviour for his own sake, without being moved thereto by any fear of punishment, or hopes of applause.) P. 54.—53.

This wants a Lipsian marginal, a nollem dictum mi Tacite. For where the historian makes too free in censuring the actions of the gods, as he frequently did with the emperors; he says, Credo dis magis nostram ultionem curæ esse quam securitatem. Sancho was only a censurer of men, or rather, of himself, for he very honestly gave his reasons for serving God, which being prosane, should have been omitted; though it is to be feared they are generally too true: For it has been observed, that our prayers are made to the Gods, but the matter is for ourselves.

Prima fere vota, & cunctis notissima Templis
Divitiæ ut crescant, ut opes ut maxima toto,
——nostra sit Arca foro.

Which may be translated thus:

The sum of most mens oraisons is this,

Descend O Jove, as once thou didst of old,

Into thy Danae's lap (the seat of bliss)

And fill our chests with splendid show'rs of gold.

At that instant, master Nicholas calling aloud to them, to stop a little, that the rest might have time to drink at a spring which they found in their way.) P. 54.—53.

The curate did well to put them in mind of the spring, for their discourse was very dry. Water is good for many things, and never was more serviceable than at present. It was useful to wash Sancho's foul mouth, after the various lies he had told his mafter. It was good for the Don and Cardenio, who looked like Westphalia flitches, with their long watching and fasting. It was good for the Licentiate, who as a scholar, was to taste of the fountain in memory of Parnassus; and as a divine, in remembrance of his holy-water: It was good for the lady Dorothea, that she might be stiled the only meritorious and facred nymph of that fountain; and, lastly, it would have been useful to the barber, if he had carried his wash-ball and instruments about him, who might have fhaved the whole company gratis, or symbols solute, paying nothing at the next inn towards the reckoning. HowHowever, as this could not be done, the curate defired them to fit down, like those of the first age, making a grass-plat their table, and accept of his parabile, and sentences in praise of slender diet, as modicum non nocet, Natura minimo contenta, especially to those who had sasted so long; and though venter caret Auribus, is a common saying, yet, in case of a general want, the belly must hear with other ears, and be governed by the economical discipline of the whole body.

I am that same individual young man, called Andrew, whom your worship delivered from the tree to which I was tied.) P. 54.—54.

The Don began to exult at the fight of poor Andrew, and valued himself for the greatest piece of chivalry that ever was performed by Knight-errant, supposing that Andrew would magnify his redemption, and praise the valorous encounter: Big with this thought, he began to question the boy before the company; but the issue of the dialogue was similar to that with Sancho, concerning Dulcinea, and tended as much to his honour, as that did to her's.

Answer without perturbation or doubt, and well this honourable company what passed.) P. 55.—55:

Infandum jubes renovare dolorem,

Cried Andrew, "Sir Knight, please to let me pull off my cloaths, and there read the bloody history, for I am so scarrified, that a very little cookery would make me an excellent carbonado. I have many proofs about me of your honour's intercession; but what disturbed me most, after your worship's departure, was my master's jeers; for these were harder to be born than the stripes on my back; so that my second punishment was worse than the sirst, owing to your wisdom's ill-timed friendship; for which, may the devil consound you and all your race."

CHAP. V.

The hostes recounted to them what had happened in her house, between him and the carrier; then looking round the room, and seeing Sancho was not present, she told the whole story of the blanketting, to the no small entertainment of the company.) P. 60.—59.

THE conversation, business, or behaviour, of departed guests, generally supply our inn-keepers with matter to entertain the succeeding travellers. Were we inquisitive, we might easily find out most mens (and womens)

intentions, inclinations, and defigns, by following them a day's journey behind on the road. We generally discover our real thoughts and dispositions freely and without disguise, where we are not known, being regardless of detection; but if we consider things properly, we shall find that it is almost impossible to conceal our actions from the world; for what we wish to hide from it, is sometime or other made known by such unforeseen accidents, that we may venture to pronounce, there is a secret curse attends doing that which is wrong.

I have now in my custody two or three of them, together with some other papers, which, I verily believe, have preserved not only my life, but also that of many others; for, in harvest time, a great number of reapers come hither, to pass the heat of the day, &c.) P. 60.—59.

The host's policy, in drawing company to his house, and keeping them there when he had them, was a laudable piece of ingenuity, and the manner of entertaining them, much more commendable than the usual diversions of gaming. A gentleman was once distressed for workmen to get his harvest in, every one pretending he was engaged, which was not the real case; whereupon, he thought of a scheme to entice them; this, was to procure a bear and siddle, proclaiming free access

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to the sport for every one: It succeeded, and foon drew the workmen to him from all parts, and by means of his brewings of beer, and Bruin the bear, he soon got his work done.

Hold your peace, child, said the landlady; methinks you too well acquainted with these things: Young maidens, like you, should neither know nor speak so much.) P. 61.—61.

The daughter's knowledge in these matters is not to be wondered at, since her mother was a dame of good understanding herself. Eggs that are hatched in an oven, generally bring forth spirited chickens. Romulus was cruel, being suckled by a wolf.* What we imbibe in our infancy from our mothers and nurses, is not curable by physic, the mischief being scattered through the very first principles of nature, and is no more to be discovered than Matera prima; and as Pliny saith, Morbi sicut alia legantur, our dis-

^{*} Our author here falls in with the common traditionary story, which is not true: For Romulus, and his twin-brother Remus, being exposed by the river Tyber, were found by Faustulus, whose wise brought them up; and she being a common harlot, was called Lupa, from whence they were said to be suckled by a wolf.

eases are as hereditary from our parents, as their estates; and so are our vices, especially those ab utero derivata: For, partus sequitur ventrem, and I do not remember to have read, that ever a Messallina brought forth a Lucreece.

What! you intend to burn these books? then faid the inn-keeper.) P. 62.-61.

He would have committed his wife to the flames with less compunction; for his books were the bait with which he catched his gudgeons; the cement of his company, drawing more than his fign, or any thing within the

house, except the tapster.

It is imposible for publicans to live, unless they have fomething new, curious, and uncommon, for the entertainment of their cuftomers. - Each reigns in his turn. An instance or two, may suffice to prove this. A host riding through a river, catched a very large Eel with his horse's hoof, which having a loofe nail, stuck in the fish and held it fast, The largeness of the Eel, and the wonderful manner of taking it, drew company to his house to have a fight of it, he having stuffed the skin till it was ready to burst, in order to magnify the miracle, for he was too cunning to mention a word about the loofe nail. But this trick was but for a time, for a brother landlord being jealous of his fuccess, and finding every one went to see the Eel; adver184 FESTIVOUS NOTES upon tised a pike, which he declared he had taken, with a live wild-duck in its belly; this drew all the company from the Eel, and verified the proverb, that every dog bath his day.

CHAP. VI.* and VII.

M. Gayton, makes no remarks on the story of the Impertinent Curiosity, which is the contents of these two chapters, and part of the eighth; but comments on what the curate says at the conclusion of the story (see page 124, in Smollett's translation, and page 123 in Jarvis) by telling some stories similar to it. The first is too trivial, and the second too indecent to have a place here, therefore the Editor has omitted both: But the third being entertaining, though tedious in the original, is reduced into the present form, as follows:

The RIDICULOUS MALECONTENT,

A TALE.

THERE was a Clarissimo of Venice (a dignity not inferior to that of the Roman Patricii) who, besides his noble birth, was a man of vast revenues; and, as an addition to his happiness, was blessed with a wife of in-

^{*} Page 66, in Smollett and Jarvis.

comparable beauty and virtue. Though jealousy is the natural growth of Italy, yet, he was neither jealous, nor laid her under those customary restrains that other husbands practise, but permitted her to appear in public, and indulged her with the privilege of entertaining her friends in her own person, unveiled, and unsuspected: So, that, they were esteemed as the miracle of Venice; she, for her transcendent beauty and good conduct; and he, for his liberal turn of mind, indulgencies, and permissions.

The only bar to the Clarissimo's happiness; was the want of iffue to inherit his title and estates; and his not being blessed with any after four years marriage, gave him great uneafiness; especially, as he imagined, from his age (being twice as old as his lady) that he never should have any. The vanity of an old man, might, in some measure, make him wish for children; but his principal reason arose from a hatred he bore his brother, who, on fome occasion, had not behaved well, and therefore he was unwilling he should inherit his fortune at his death. Uneasy and distressed in mind, how to disappoint the expectations of his brother, he at last determined to be made a father by fome means or other, at all events: But how to effect it, was res ardua; for, as his

wife was both innocent and virtuous, he supposed her incapable of receiving a proxy, though he should solicit it, and therefore, he had no hopes of fuccess in communicating his romantic defign to her; however, he refolved to put his scheme in execution.

He had frequently noticed an English merchant on the Piazza, who was not only young but beautiful: Him he thought the most likely perfon for his purpose, and therefore gave him an invitation to his house. In a few days, the Clarissimo's civilities brought on an intimacy, nor was the merchant able to withstand his solicitations, being charmed with the person, company, and conversation of his lady. One day, after dinner, the Clarissimo took the merchant into his garden, and in a retired part of it, disclosed his purpose in the following manner.

"Sir, your person and candid disposition charm me, and therefore, the freedom I have of late indulged you with, is but the prelude to greater privileges. You feem to admire my wife, who doubtless, is not only in person, but disposition, more than woman; yet, I am so unfortunate as to be miserable. The cause is the want of children, and what adds to the weight of this misfortune is, my having a brother, whose wicked disposition leads him to every thing that is evil. Like a vulture, he waits

waits for my carcass; not a bell tolls, but he wishes it for me; his how d' you man comes every day to know how I flept the last night, when his errand is to enquire whether I have flept my last. To disappoint this ravenous expectant of his hopes, and prevent his malignant issue from enjoying my fortune, is all I wish; to effect this design, I have in a happy hour, made choice of thee: Proxies are allowed in all courts, and why not in cases of this fort? All things conspire in thee, to effect my wishes, and accomplish that, which will make me happy. This night Euphema (that being the lady's name) fleeps within thy arms. Be confident I am ferious, and with your confent, will, by fair or foul means, have the matter executed." The merchant promised to fulfil his wishes, provided the lady could be brought to confent, at the same time, flattering himfelf, that his person and address might prevail. Matters being thus fettled, the Clarissimo returned from the garden to his lady, and acquainted her with his proposterous, and unnatural design, threatening instant death if she refused. Euphema's surprise rendered her incapable of making any reply, being loft in horror and amazement. Night approached, the fatal hour arrived: The Clarissimo conducted the merchant to his own chamber, and in a short time dragged in Euphema by force.

Her tears and entreaties were not able to make him relinquish his purpose, for he soon withdrew and locked the door, leaving her to the mercy of the merchant, whose thoughts were exalted with the proposed joy; and, though the lady seemed reluctant, the protection of the Clarissimo gave him spirits. The elegance of the room, rich surniture, stately bed, and above all, the beauty of Euphema, conspired to render it a persect paradise; wherefore, with pidgeon speed he stew to his Venus; and said, "madam, it is improper as well as unkind, to be coy, and not embrace the present golden opportunity which the god of love has given you for the enjoyment of supernal delights."

Euphema, dreading the consequences of an absolute refusal from her critical situation, and vowed revenge of her lord, fell on her knees, bathed in tears, faying to the merchant; "Sir, if your heart is susceptible of the least humanity, pity me as a distressed women, whose conduct in life, and virtuous disposition, lead me to consider my present rigorous treatment from a barbarous husband, in the most horrid light. You feem to be a gentleman; if fo, shew your nobleness of mind, and do not take that cruel advantage of me which is now given you; save, protect, and vindicate that, which is dearest to me; a fame unspotted, a chaste mind, and the honour of a yet undefiled bed!" The

The merchant raised her from the ground, and rallied her on the folly of a refusal; adding with great art, the danger which might infue from the malice of her husband by a disappointment. "In pure defire," continued he, " of faving your precious life, I must insist on profecuting your lord's command." At thefe words, Euphema fell at his feet again, and faid, "think, O think, generous Englishman, of the crime you are endeavouring to commit; will the authority of a madman prove a sufficient expiation for you, or even me? Will you turn journey-man to the Devil ?-Have you a mother, or a fifter, Sir?"-" Both," replied the merchant. " What would you think of them," refumed she, " if the one should be false to your father's bed, or the other, too easily relinquish her same, honour, and virtue, by a commission of the crime you folicit me to be guilty of?"

The merchant was startled at these queries: His fister was very young, and dear to him, and at that time her picture hung at his breaft; which, with the force of what Euphema had faid, recalled her to his memory, and raifed every tender sentiment in his bosom : Virtue, honour, and generofity, rose in his foul, and banished every base, unmanly thought. Taking Euphema by the hand, he begged pardon for his bold folicitation, and called heaven and earth, earth, angels and men, to witness how much he admired her virtue; how much he condemned himself for joining with her husband in so wicked a proceeding; at the same time, vowing to protect her from his malice and revenge, should any violence be offered.

This unexpected generofity, brought tears of joy from Euphema, and what before was hatred, changed to reverence and love. The injury offered by her husband, banished every thought of duty and respect, and being warmed by gratitude, she told the merchant, that if ever fate should release her from the ungenerous and unnatural partner of her bed, she would willing give him the preference of all men living. This kind return of generofity was very pleasing to the merchant, who replied, " madam, I am so struck with your person, but more so with your high sense of virtue and honour, that if you and the fates decree me that happiness, it is not seven years expectation that can weary my patience; not, but I hope the gods will hasten my felicity. I wish to perish to all eternity, if ever I give you one moments uneasiness. I am ashamed of what has happened, and can scarce believe what I have heard, because my guilt tells me I am underserving of such goodness."

Euphema, confident that these expressions were real, said, "your protestations of fide-

lity are such, that I will not queston their sincerity, or have the least doubt or scruple about them: But, if you wish me happy, it is necessary that you join with me in an innocent deception, in order to evade my husband's refentment, and fecure my present happiness; which, cannot be effected but by a pretended acquiescence to his commands. I have heard much of platonic love, let us now experience it. To-morrow he will demand of you, how far I complied with his injunctions: If you are that friend you have professed yourfelf, you will make him easy, that I may be so: It is a deceit the Gods will furely pardon, fince it is in the defence of virtue. If ever the time comes you feem to wish, and I have no reason but to hope for it, depend on my fulfilling the promise I have made, provided your virtue and integrity lead you to conduct this affair with decency and honour."

The merchant was transported at this repeated assurance of her firm attachment and constancy, and after a most solemn promise to perform every thing she wished, he sealed his vows with a religious kiss. The apprehension of the Clarissimo's coming to be satisfied of the certainty of what might be called his own dishonour, made it necessary for them to enter the bed, in order to remove suspicion; but Euphema insisted that a cimeter, which hung in

the room, should be placed between them; which was no bad emblem of the danger of violating oaths, at the same time, that it might be confidered as a ceremony ratifying their contract. The merchant wished the edge of the weapon on the last thread of the Clarissimo's life, that it might prove his Atropos, and make a short cut to his defires.

In the morning, the Clariffimo entered the chamber, and faluted them both with great pleasure. The merchant said, "You need not now fear your brother's enjoying your eftate and title, here is noble Clarissimo" (pointing to Euphema) " Intus existens alienum prohibens." The husband was satisfied, and never in the least suspected the trick played him.

In a short time, he was siezed with a dangerous illness, during which, his conscience reproached him, for his rash folly in violating his wife's chastity and virtue. Finding himself at the point of death, he tenderly called her to him, and begged her forgiveness, at the same time, requesting that she would conceal his crime from the world. Euphema's goodness of heart, would not suffer her to let him be longer deceived; she therefore discovered the whole affair, and gave peace to his troubled mind. His joy was unspeakable, and his gratitude sincere, and all he wished for, was, to have lived to

have shown it in the most extensive manner; however, finding death approach, he settled her in the full possession of his unbounded fortune, and with his last breath recommended to her, to sulfil her engagements with the generous merchant, and departed, leaving her convert to be her comforter; and when the days of public forrow were over, they were married without the intervention of a cimeter.

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That instant they heard a great noise in the apartment, and Don Quixote pronounced aloud, "Stay, villain, robber, caitiff.") P. 114.
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THE Don was disturbed in his sleep with the giant, who had employed his thoughts when awake. His fancy presented a walleyed giant to him, whether with a head, or without a head, is very much to be doubted; but this apparition worked such real effects with the Knight, that he forsook his bed, and sallying forth with sword in hand, gave battle to the desenceless walls.

Men of great atchievements, are frequently disturbed in their sleep; their spirits afcending 194 FESTIVOUS NOTES upon cending upwards, too fast for the brain to sustain them.

Alexander, after he had killed his trustiest friend, rose frequently in the night, supposing he called for revenge; and could by no means be brought to sleep again, till he had drowned his senses in Grecian wine.

Achillis was fo troubled with the thought of his undipped heel, and the sudden approach of the Trojan battle, that he assayed many nights with both his heels together, which made him splay-footed for ever after.

Hector's unquiet spirit wandered on the Elysian shore, and showed his wounds to many trusty Trojans, but especially to Æneas, who was ready to sly without his warning of, I, fuge nate Deâ, &c.*

Brutus, Cassius, Mark Anthony (and Casar, before his assassination) being all active spi-

^{*} The above instances, call to mind what Lucretius fays,

[—] Quoi quisque fere studio devinctus adhæret: Aut quibus in rebus multim sumus ante morati: Atque in qua ratione fuit contenta magis mens; In somnis eadem plerumque videmur obire.

We commonly run over in our fleep, those very things on which the mind was studiously employed when we were awake.

rits, were troubled with the same disorder; nor was Mars himself exempted; for, though those deities are said to be Insomnes, yet, after a carouse of Nepenthean wine, they are in a trance, which is the same to them as our sleep. For, if they were always awake, how could Vulcan so often have taken Mars at a nap with Venus? nay, one of their Gods is Morpheus, a heavy headed Numen, who, though he sleeps not at night, goes to bed at cock-crowing, and there nuzzles till Hesperus cramps him by the toes.

Yet, for all that, the poor Knight did not awake, until the barber, fetching a kettle of cold water from the well, foused him all over.) P. 115.—115.

Agisto univ "I was. Water is good for any thing: And wherever the barber met with this recipe for a dead sleep, it was on dry device, Veritatem è puteo hauriunt tantam, the truth of it is, it was a good Probatum for a lethargy, and being drawn from a deep well, was an efficacious remedy for a deep sleep. The Moon was always beholden to the Pleiades for waking Endymion.

Fell upon his knees before the priest, saying, renowned princess, &c.) P. 116.—116.

A just contrary error persone was committed at Bellosite, where an epilogue was to be addressed to the emperor; but the ignorant actor who was to deliver it, looked about for the greatest person amongst the auditors, which proved to be the hostess of an inn, who sat in great pomp; bowing to whom, he spoke these lines:

With bended knees (great Cæsar) we
Address our Epilogue to thee,
Who hither in great state art come,
To see the histry of Jack Drum.
To thee we render all obeisance,
For deigning us thy dreadful presence;
May'st thou grow greater still, and thrive,
Till thou'rt the greatest thing alive:
O may thy race so fruitful be,
To sociate all monarchy;
And may your next stupendious birth,
Be th' Leviathan o'th' Earth!

The blunder of the actor drew the laugh on the hostes, upon which she left her seat, and pursuing him, gave him a plaudit on the ears for his reward.

At length the barber, curate, and Cardenio, with no small difficulty, put the Knight to bed again.) P. 117.—116.

Three to one was odds, therefore his stout heart was obliged to yield; not, that it was any difgrace to be overcome by multitudes, especially as they were either inchanters, or inchanted: The barber being transformed into an ox backward, as, homo est arbos reversa, and so was tonsor (bos reversus:) Cardenio, a goat newly transformed into a man again; and the curate the inchanter; so, that the Don was like Circe's captives, charmed into a fleep, deep as his high thoughts.

C H A P. IX.

At that instant, the landlord standing at the inn door, exclaimed, "There is a noble company: Odd! if they halt here, we shall sing for joy.") P. 124.-124.

CUCH as these were true saints days to our hosts, and here was two together: Sancta Dorothea, was an authentic faint; Lucinda was a virgin martyr; Cardenio a devout pilgrim; and Don Fernando, after his penance, joined with Sancta Clara, will make it a holyday and a half. It was very proper for these faints to meet at the fign of the St. George, who flew the dragon which was to pray upon the virgin. The truth of this story hath been doubted doubted by fome of our countrymen, as appears by the following epigram.

They say there is no Dragon, Nor no St. George, 'tis said: St. George and Dragon lost, Pray heav'n there be a maid!

Which was fmartly answered by the following:

St. George, indeed, is dead, And the fierce Dragon flain; The maid liv'd so, and dy'd; She'll ne'er do so again.

CHAP. X.

I told thee, that every incident which happened was conducted and brought about by inchantment.)
P. 137.—137.

SIR, faid Sanche, was my adventure of the blanket an inchantment? No, no, your worship has been in a dream all this time; not but I think the host an inchanter; his wife, daughter, and maid, devils incarnate: Therefore, Sir, please to search your pockets, and see if you can find money enough to discharge our reckoning, for there is a long score at the letter 2, which stands, I am afraid, for your worship's whole name; there-

therefore, if you cannot wipe it off with a wet finger, show yourself a man with your hands for this once, and deliver us from the chalky-way.

Sancho, replied Don Quixote, I will not leave thee, till I have carried thee to the milky-way, where I will place thee and thy as as confellations. O, Sir, says Sancho, the milky-way is the road home again to the dairy at the Mancha.

CHAP. XI.

The Knight proceeded thus: "Since we began with the student, representing his poverty in all its circumstances, let us see if the soldier be more wealthy, &.") P. 149.—148.

O mighty Jove! what have I liv'd to fee!
A paltry Graduate compar'd to me?

THE Don, with great warmth in this oration, laboured to prove the superiority of the man of valour, over the man of wisdom. It therefore becomes me, as a commentator, to enlarge the subject, and set the matter in a clear light.

Pallas was the equal goddes of wisdom, and of arms. The purple of the field, as well as the schools, the green laurel of the bar, and

the gilded laurel of the standard, are her donatives and rewards: And, though she appears as often armed, as in her canded robes, yet the men of learning engross her to themfelves, and will not allow the men of the fword the least interest in her. Being the offspring of Jupiter's brain, Sine Matre Filia, they, with some reason, may lay the greater claim to her, because their labour is opus Cerebri, the work of the brain. They allow us, indeed, some interest in Yove, through Bacchus, who, being the God of wine, is also the God of quarrels, from whence the foldier's profession had its rife. But they lay claim to the nine Muses and Apollo, though when he is an archer, they refuse his being prefident of the company. O generation of fictitious minters! Is not Apollo a deity-errant, who runs over the world every twentyfour hours? Did he not flay the great dragon Python? And like a valiant Knighterrant, did he not make choice of the celebrated Daphne for his Dulcinea, but lost her by her inchantment into a bay-tree? Yet, though he could not win her, he wears her about his brows, as a fign of his true affection.

Thus have the fons of wisdom cheated the world with the antiquity of their original! and think to overcome the brethren of the

fword by numbers, laying claim to poets, painters, musicians, historians, divines, lawvers, physicians, merchants, artificers, &c. &c. &c. fo that they have hardly left one man to follow the profession of a soldier, except butchers: These not being exempted, will answer the purpose, for though they are not allowed to be de jure Pacis, they are de Jure Belli. The fons of wisdom also pretend, that the labour of their studies, exceed those of the foldier, as much as mental and spiritual labours transcend those that are corporeal. Tutors and school-masters do labour, it must be confessed, but not so much as the scholars under them, whose labour is generally corporeal.

Huc ades, bæc animo concipe dista tuo.

A very fair invitation to a poor commons, which ends most probably in lachrymæ; or a

Parce precor, post hac æternum versificabor.

Is that animo concipere? Able school-masters, are very useful and necessary instruments in a common-wealth; for without the seeds of knowledge, and principles of learning, no man can serve either his prince, his country, or himself. Therefore, those men who train up youth under good discipline, in the vari-

ous branches of education, are worthy of esteem, honour, and reward. It is to be wished, that parents, guardians, and others, whom it concerns, would consider men of this profession with an eye of favour, and give them the preference over dancing mafters, &c. &c. for it is a melancholy truth, that the latter generally have the afcendency, and are better paid for teaching an idle amusement, than those who educate our children in the most important affairs of life, and fit them for the world. A school-master, after he has brought up a hundred scholars, shall have nothing but his punctual minerval, and is left to his mill, to wear out his life like a horse, with continual exercise, forgotten both by parents and scholars; unless he be a Seneca, or an Aristotle, whose scholars, Alexander and Nero, were able men, and good foldiers; though the latter wished a Nesciisset Literas, the knowledge of arms being more suitable to a prince than books. And though Alexander loved and admired Aristotle, he followed the camp, and left him to his parva naturalia. Cæsar also was a great soldier, and a great scholar; and wrote with the same fpirit and genius which he fought. There is one thing that does great discredit to learning, and that is, that its professors, like foothfayers, are either quarrelling with one another.

another, or laughing at one another. For which reason, probably, the grand Signior and foldier of the world allows of no learning. And Plato banished poets out of his common wealth; yet, how many have we in these days, running up and down the world, who have every thing in their heads but bread. It is better to know nothing than to know want: But they will answer to this, with some Stoical sentence, such as, it is better to know how to want, than to want knowledge.

So much for learning: We will dispute no more, but take up arms.

Of ARMS.

The tree of knowledge, was the most glorious flock of Paradife: But our first parents were forbid tasting the fruit of that tree: The bold attempting of which, contrary to the prohibition, dispossessed the aspirers of that beautiful garden, and introduced the use of arms to the world: A flaming sword being fent for an eternal bar upon the pass, that they should not re-enter.

While there were but few persons in the world, military arts and wars were neither known nor necessary; but, as the generations of men multiplied, focieties, goverments, and kingdoms, were established, and laws instituted for the security of meum and tuum: The vindex of which laws, if they were infringed or opposed, was the public magistrate. The multitude, in the infancy of the world, being rude and uncivilized, offended sometimes with such violence, that the delegated power could not restrain them. In order to remedy these inconveniencies, and prevent suture insurrections, a military power was raised, to defend the magistrate against contempt and violence, and to be a protection, not only in cases of civil commotions, but of foreign invasions.

At home the foldier's life is easy; but when he is commanded forth to revenge the injuries of his king and country, he his worthy notice: What long marches, tedious fieges, short allowance, dangerous duties, and gallant ends? A little more troublesome than rattling chains in a library, and tumbling over musty authors from morning till night; not a line hurts there, but, in a foldier's line, hundreds of brave fellows perchance, may have their ultima linea rerum. This is the f. Idier's rubrick; the letter which immortalizes, or rather canonizes him. Vengeance take all guns, bullets, powder, and the authors of them! Printing and they were about of an age, and the d-l knows which

is the worst. They were invented for difpatch, and so they do to some purpose: The one raifes the quarrel, and the other defends it, while both sides rue it.

There is no end of speaking in praise of the ancient and honourable profession of a foldier, which, throughout the world, is formidable! Whatever country we travel into, we find monuments erected in memory of glorious battles and heroes. And here, the scholars are beholding to the men of arms; for, what hath employed them fo much, as the histories of princes, nations, and wars? when every other subject was exhausted. The foldier fights, and the historian receives the benefit of it. From this learned differtation, it is evident, that the foldier justy claims pre-eminence over the scholar, and exceeds him in as great a degree, as a fword does a pen-knife, or a campania a brown study.

C H A P. XII, XIII, and XIV.

THESE three chapters, in the history, contain the flory of the captive; on which Mr. Gayton made no remarks, but relates the story in verse, in the same manner as those of Cardenio and Dorothea, which is omitted here, for reasons given before.

CHAP. XV.

It was now night, when a coach arrived at the inn, attended by some men on horseback, who demanded lodging: And the landlady made answer, that there was not in the whole house an handful of room unengaged. "Be that as it will, said one of the horsemen, who had entered the gate, there must be some found for my lord judge.") P. 204.—203.

THE hostess was alarmed at the name of judge, and consented to quit her own apartment to accommodate his honour; especially, as he appeared in his robes. These habits and formalities, terrify the ignorant, and extort obedience and submission; but take away these embellishments from any order of men, and they appear as contemptible and naked as the jack-daw in the sable, stripped of his borrowed seathers.—Ex humeris Aulæa Tosæ.

It was good policy of the Roman Senators, who, being vanquished by the Galli Senones, fled to the capitol, and there sat in their Patrician robes, full of gravity and majesty; which produced more awe from the barbarous soldiers, than their ensigns or their engins, insomuch, that they took them for gods, until

until their officers made them plunder them as men. What regard would be paid to a Prætor without his trappinged horse, gold chain, and cap of maintenance? For this reason the philosophers of old nourished their beards, as our modern divines and philosophers do their wigs; not that they are the wifer for the bush, but that it commands reverence, and gains esteem. Had my lord judge entered the inn as a common man, the hostess would not have given up her own bed; but being dressed in his robes, she idolized him, and imagined there was danger in refusing him a lodging.

Then the curate briefly recapitulated the story of Zorayda, to which the judge listened with more attention than ever he had yielded on the bench.) P. 208.-207.

What, not at an affize fermon? from which, not only the Spanish, but most other judges, generally take their charge, and are as much beholden to the preacher's advise from the pulpit, as he was before to Fonfecas Postils; but here the curate shewed his art; and fo fuccinctly analyzed and epitomized the long story of the captive, that if his repetitions were with half the pains fummed up ad populum, his auditors would have been less liable to fleep over them. It is a good cha-

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racter of a judge to be attentive, and to hear ambabus auribus, without interrupting the witnesses, or suffering the council to do it: And in his instructions to the jury, to explain the law, and not as is frequently done, be partial, and insuence them to one side more than the other, by which means, salse verdicts are sometimes given; for which, the jury ought to incur the penalty of sasting after they have delivered their opinions, rather than before it.

The curate, seeing every thing succeed to his own expectation, and the captain's desire, was unwilling to protract the judge's anguish, and the impatience of the whole company; so rising from the table, and going into the other apartment, he led out Zorayda, &c.) P. 210.—208.

Had this been in England, it might have proved a wedding; but the Spanish curates will not easily part with so beneficial a sacrament as matrimony to lay hucksters *.

^{*} This passage is not easily understood, unless Mr. Gayton meant, that the clergy of England are less tenacious of their rights than those of Spain; if so, I believe it will be found he was mistaken; the clergy of England are as solicitous for pecuniary advantages, as any of their brethren in other nations. Priests of all religious are the same.

Marriage and flesh (being quadragesimal prohibitions, and forbidden in time of Lent) cum dispensatione, & licentia, were very grateful accessaries to a slender vicarage. Double sees, eggs and alicant, with many a jovial entertainment, are more considerable than petty tithes, and make the curate blither than at an arch-deacon's visitation, where, besides the danger of information, he must pay for his dinner.

If the curate's learned contrivance fucceeded, he might foon expect a change of his fmall living, for ubcrius beneficium, and admire himself in his long robes, broad hat, and divinity belt, the advanced creature of the times; nothing being a furer step to preferment, than the joining great persons together in matrimony, except the parting them again, by vendering it null and void.

Don Quixote undertook to guard the castle from the assaults of any giant, or wicked adventurer that might possibly covet the vast treasure of beauty which it contained.) P. 211.—210.

Watching was very proper physic for a madman, being the only means to tame frenzy, had it been confined to a close room; but this humour of parading round the innyard, made him wilder than before, because he was subject to the cold influences of the

moon, which was the predominant planet in his pericranium. Could he not remember what befel him on the first entrance of his adventures, when this vertigo of noctivagation and watching his arms seized him? How dismal was that night's guardianship, in which he wanted discretion more than sleep, when the carriers left him almost stone dead? Yet the hardy Knight would re-act this solitary encounter, with nothing over him, but the spangled canopy of heaven, and poor Rozinante under him, whose pains and tantalizations in this night's round, were more irksome to the beast than all his other missortunes.

CHAP. XVI.

Dear madam, said she, that singer is the son of an Arragonian gentleman, who is lord of two towns, and when at court, lives opposite to my father's house; and although our windows are covered with canvass in winter, and lattices in summer, I know not how this young gentleman, &c. &c.) P. 215.—213.

It is difficult to find out what are the first causes, or originals of love: That which first makes the impression in the heart or fancy: Whether it be the eye, wit, or voice, that

that is the first mover? For, some love by the ear, and affect by story——

Visamque Cupit, potiturque Cupitâ.

Some (deceived in their augury) complain, like the maiden in the fong, of the nofe; others of the eyes; nescio quis teneros oculus, &c. for we frequently hear it faid, " I would I had never seen his face. O that tongue, that beguiling, deluding tongue." In short, as matter is inclined to receive forms, wax impreffion, the air the light, fo, naturally doth the feminine appetite require the male: But how the folus hic inflexit sensus. How one person more than any other, amongst choice and variety, should only wound and subdue affections, is still the puzzling query? Some tell us the grand fecret is governed by the stars; others, that it is the sympathizing of the amatory atoms in two distinct persons, which causes a conjunction; but the truth is, haremus ficut ille ad refluxum maris. The true cause of the ebbs and floods of our affections, are not known to us, and therefore we find out false causes, and attribute to them what is not theirs, and here lies all the mischief.

So far had the Knight proceeded in this piteous exclamation, when the inn-keeper's daughter whifwhispered softly, "Sir Knight, will your worship be pleased to come this way? Hearing this invitation, he lifted up his eyes, and by the light of the moon, which was then in full splendor, perceived them becken to him from the straw hole.) &c.) P. 219.—217.

Our Don was now at the hole in the wall, but it was one of the most unfortunate adventures that ever he undertook upon such presumptious hopes; and his miscarriage the more disgraceful and scandalous, as the trick was played him by two such infamous husties as Maritornes and her young mistress. Dux sæmina fasti. The knight supposed them to be the ladies of the castle, and was inchanted with his own fancies, which brought him into such a noose as never Knight-errant was in before; for he hung out against the wall, not in effigy (which would have been disgrace enough) but in persona, corporally exposed to the view of every one.

And scarce had he moved one step, when both his master's feet slipping from the saddle, he would have tumbled to the ground, had he not hung by his arm, which endured such torture in the shock, that he verily believed it was cut off by the wrist, or torn away by the shoulder.) P. 224.—222.

Rozinante's turning about to falute the strange horse, broke the inchantment, though it did not release Quixote by breaking the rope: His dream of remaining manicled to the window, vanished into a hideous swing to torture and mifery, equal to that of Perillus in the brazen bull which he gave to Phalaris. His outcries were all he had to trust to, though if his lungs had failed him, the rope was not likely to do fo. His noise waked the dogs, and next the maids, who, fenfible of their cruelty, began to relent, and therefore let the rope loofe, so that he was once more a knight of this world; into which he was no fooner dropped, but fresh adventures buried the remembrance of the old ones, and having remounted Rozinante, he defied all dangers; which were as fure to seize him, as he was to provoke them, as will be feen in the next chapter.

CHAP. XVII.

"If any person whatever, sayeth, that I have justly suffered enchantment, I here, with the permission of my lady princes of Micomicona, give him the lie, challenge, and defy him to single combat.") P. 225.—223.

THIS was a bold provocation to four men: And it was four to one, but he had paid for his audacity. But, they were in pursuit of another Knight-errant, which made them regardless of our Don's extravagance. It is fome mens fecurity, that whatever they fay is not accounted flander. Fools, madmen, and male-contents, are priviledged talkers, and are either pitied or laughed at. At this time, Quixote was under one of these circumstances, and therefore gave the lie boldly, which in Spain is the word of death. This was a great encounter, and therefore it is worthy notice, that of all his adventures he came fafest off in this, not meeting with the least reply, or so much as having his words beat down his throat again.

Don Quixote seeing that none of the travellers took the least notice of him, or made any answer to his defiance, was transported with rage and vexation.) P. 226.—224.

To triumphed in this bloodless victory, which was concluded without an Epithalamium, or fong of joy. On the contrary, his bon-fires were within, and his bells rung backwards. The Don was inflamed that he could show no spoils nor luggage for Sancho; not a wallet, nor fo much as a pannel being to be feen, whereby, the monumental enfigns of for great a daring (for it could not well be called a defeat) should be published to the world. He was in high debate with himfelf, what to do with an enemy, who would not give battle, or take the least notice of being called to arms. What could he fay to a filent foe? Language was unfit for mutes, and so was action to men of no spirit. Never was heroes fo calm; fo that the bufiness of this challenge was intirely performed in dumb shew.

To this request the Knight replied, with great leisure and infinite phlegm, "Beautiful young lady, I cannot, at present, grant your petition, being restricted from intermeddling in any other adventure, until I shall have accomplished one, in which my honour is already engaged) P. 230.—228.

All that was required of him, was to ftop two travellers, who, observing the hurry the house was in, were preparing to leave the inn without paying their reckoning. Wasit not strange, that this adventure-seeker should refuse adventures, especially as he was incited to it by a lady, in defence of her father, the constable of the castle? oppressed by two, and in a just cause, the maintenance of his castle. O Jupiter Hospitalis! was the Don's apo'ogy less that pusillanimity? Was not our Hercules, who just now assaulted four, able contra duos? What could be the cause? Does valour ebb and flow in valiant breafts? Are they most daring at the ebullition of the blood, or at the circular refluxion? He was engaged, not in actual combat, but potential. His word was his blow, and therefore no enemy was to be admitted, till the giant of Micomicon was encountered.

When Maritornes and her mistress asked what hindered him from giving assistance to their master and husband, "I am hindered, answered the Knight, by a law, which will not permit me to use my sword against Plebeians; but, call hither my Squire Sancho, for to him it belongs, and is peculiar to engage in such vengeance and defence.) P. 231.—228.

As the princes had granted him her permission, he was once more licentiatus ad preliandum et vapulandum per totam hispaniam, therefore, what was the reason he did not engage

in this adventure? Nothing more, than because they were not Knights, and for this reason he intailed the business on his Squire, pares cum paribus. O Quixote! how might'st thou, by this effugium, have avoided all your misfortunes? The carriers, nor the goatherds, were no Knights, nor were the windmill, and fulling-mill dubbed, and yet you condescended to engage them; and, therefore, why fo scrupulous on this occasion? To what purpose did you ask for a licence to fight, unless you intended to make use of it? Though the author has not discovered the reason of this micropseachy, it is easily understood; for the quarrel between the host and the travellers, was concerning the non-payment of the reckoning, therefore the Don's conscience would not let him interfere in the matter, as it would have been a breach of practife to have taken the host's part; so he prudently stood neuter, and shifted it off to his friend Sancho.

This individual shaver, as he led his beast to the stable, perceived Sancho employed in mending something that belonged to the pannel, and knowing him at first sight, assaulted the Squire in a trice, crying "Ha! Don thief, I have caught you at last. Restore my bason and pannel; with all the furniture you stole from me." P. 233.—230.

It was hard for a man of Sancho's confequence and expectations to bear fuch opprobrious language. However, though he was not able to confute him with words, he refolved to overcome him with blows, and therefore showed his valour, and made him wash his mouth in blood for his foul aspersions. Sancho hoped to have traversed an indictment, with an action of battery; but, the barber being blooded in the mouth, was freed from the flaggers, and stood stoutly to the claim of his pannel, making a bloody hue and cry after him; fo that Sancho was forced to appeal to the Don, who, finding his Squire had behaved valiantly, was more willing to make him a Knight, than an honest man.

Besides, the very same day on which they took my pannel, they also robbed me of a new brass bason never hanselled, that cost me a good crown. Don Quixote hearing this, could contain himself no longer.) P. 234.-231.

Like master, like man. The barber charged both with a robbery, and now the court fat; what could be faid in their defence? The case was clear to the jury. Here was evidentia facti, the very pannel and bason coram judice. The barber (pro rege) fwore they were his, and therefore the two culprits pleaded pleaded not guilty, and made the best defence they could, which amounted to a condemation.

CHAP. XVIII.

I say, under correction, and still with submission to better judgement, that the object now in dispute, which that worthy gentleman holds in his hand, is not only no barber's bason, but also, as far from being one as black is from white, or falsehood from truth.) P. 236.—233.

HOW easily doth a brother rook a brother; I mean the crafty brother the weaker? It is easy to persuade a credulous person, if he has an opinion of his brother's fidelity, out of his reason, and every thing that is right; and create a belief in him, that black is white, and white black: All his understanding being refigned to his opinion and conceit of his confident, he fees with his eyes, hears with his ears, and speaks with his tongue; and what arguments cannot do, this captivated affection yields to, without ever suspecting the least fraud or deceit. Aruspex aruspicem, dum videt ridet, is true of these kind of men, who make sport of their own roguries, and the folly of others. In the present case, the barber of the village was a younger brother, a

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gull, drawn which way his fenior of the profession led him.

Fratrum quoque gratia rara est.

Every body laughed to see Don Fernando going about with great gravity, collecting opinions in whispers, that each might privately declare, &c.)
P. 238.—235.

The votes were not vivâ voce, but in aurem: So, that the collector not being fworn, it is probable the matter went just as his lord-ship pleased. In most popular assemblies, the business is generally carried on, like this of the pannel and the bason, where the most potent and interested persons whisper their own votes to others, that matters may be carried according to their own wishes and interests: So that, the proposition is not placet—Doth it seem good so?—but placebit—it shall be so.

Get but a bawling council * for your man, Your cause shall prosper, do whate'er you can.

May I never taste the joys of heaven! cried the transported barber, if you are not all deceived.)
P. 238.—235.

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^{*} We have daily inflances of the truth of this, in our courts of judicature.

This protestation was not received, though he defired the forfeiture of heaven upon the failure of it. But, certainly, he would not have made fuch an imprecation, if he believed there were any other poles than those his basons hung on; or, that, the teeth in his shop should ever return again to the heads from whence he drew them. His protestátion is plain in Foro foli, that he was cheated of his bason, which never returned to his Forum Poli: Wherefore, he gave a vale to the law, as if the law had been in fault; but he should have been angry with the suffragants, or, at least, have hired them a dog and a bell, to lead them home, as their eyes were so bad they could not distinguish a bason from a helmet, or a pannel from a faddle.

Nothing now remains, but that every one should take his own again; and may St. Peter bless what God bestows.) P. 238.—236.

The Don only meant, that every one should take those things which his friends had voted him, and so omnia bene: He was satisfied they were his own, though he knew he stole them. How pious, and above all, how careful he was, against any review of the verdict, desiring Peter's blessing, though he knew he had robbed Paul? So cunningly, or rather prophanely, he attributed all his

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fuccesses to heaven, though he went to the devil for the purchase. On the other fide, the male-content barber went away diffatisfied, crying out, "Might overcomes right." curfing the bribery and partiality of his friends at court: Both, indeed, calling upon Peter, the one for vengeance, the other for a benediction.

In the midst of this labyrinth, chaos, and composition of mischief, Don Quixote's imagination suggested, that he was all of a sudden involved in the confusion of Agramonte's camp.) P. 240.-237.

Facibas extinguis faces.

He holds the fun to the candle, cries fire, fire, and fetches all the company, as with the found of a trumpet about him. Some new and heard of lie, presently silenceth a known truth, as a romance a true flory: So, likewife, the news of a giant, the talk of taxes, the report of foreign wars, fettles all our domestic differences, or at least diverts us from thinking of them. The trick of amusing is none of the worst in the pack. Quixote's policy was not to be flighted, who, to avoid the present confusion of himself and his friends, proclaims the approach of a greater evil; which, while every one defires' to hear, alarmed at the imaginary danger, the private constellation falls, and every one is provided against the affairs of the public.

But the enemy of concord and rival of peace, being thus foiled and disappointed.) P. 242.—239.

Here the Don was terribly put to it, if the devil was his enemy, as we are told. And though his ill-favoured face was not eafily intincted with a blush, whereby the officer might have discovered his guilt, yet the description in the warrant agreeing with his lines and features, brought him within the compass of an English proverb. This embarrassment of the warrant, was the worst inchantment he ever met with: For the king and the holy brotherhood are too powerful for a Knight-errant.

Don Quixote smiled at hearing these epithets, and with much composure replied, "Come hither, ye vile and base-born race! do you call it the province of an highwayman, to loose the chains of the captive, and set the prisoner free; to succour the miserable, raise the fallen, and relieve the distressed?") P. 243.—241.

It was high time for him to rave like a madman, in order to escape punishment. It was good policy to run mad, to be a Bedlamite,

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mite, rather than a banditti; and above and below the laws, in order to evade coming under the lash. He declared their writ to be false; it was error personæ, not directed to attack a Knight-errant; or had it been fo, it was error Legis, or Judicis, who knew not that generalia non includunt privilegiatos. Warrants for vagrants are not extendable to Knight-errants, who ever demand an exeat Regno; and have and hold by de forresta Charta of their own; do as they lift, live as they list, pay what they list, say what they list, and are the only men of the lift. By these and other demonstrations, the officer was fatisfied of his frenzy, which was a supersedas - to the writ, and a discharge for his sees.

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The curate pacified the landlord, and Don Fernando paid the bill.) P. 246.—243.

ALL is paid! were glorious words to poor Sancho; not but this proved a jubilee day to his master, as well as himself; and was a very great adventure to both of them. Talk what they would of giants and castles, the reckoning was a thing equally dangerous, especially as Rozinante and Dapple were obliged to be perpetual bail for their masters, which, no doubt,

doubt, brought on many foot adventures to Sancho, ere he could cure the swelling of the beafts heads: But now, falva res est. The golden age is returned; Don Fernando rained gold and silver together, and in spight of the poet,

Hospes ab Hospite Tutus.

They now defied the landlord, and his affiftants the brotherhood; and what they drank in fear, is digested in joy.

Unde habeat quærat nemo, sed oportet habere.

The poor must eat, and pray for their benesactors: But at this time, the best company was best cheap, and fortune threw the Knight and his Squire into the society of lords and ladies, and not among carriers, who generally gave them sour sauce to their sweet-meats.

"The giant may get notice that I am coming to destroy him; and taking the opportunity of our delay, fortify himself in some impregnable castle, against which all my diligence, and the strength of my indefatigable arm, will not avail, &c.")
P. 247.—244.

The affairs of this castle being discharged, the Don was eager for another adventure:

He was too famous and well known, to hope for much success in this part of the world, and therefore was for moving his quarters instantly to Micomicon, which being an Ægyptian country, he and his Squire might plunder Ad infinitum. Diligence is the mother of success, was his motto, and a very necessary one, for a man of his profession; which proverb was closely followed by him and his Sugire in all their actions. Quick and nimble motions, always proved beneficial to them: The bason pannel, and portmanteau, were all the fruits of their activity, gained by furprifal, and kept by retreats and retirings into the inaccessible parts of morena. In just fights, he never lost more than in sallies; but the loss of his ear, and cheek-tooth, being monuments of his ill fuccess in set battles; he wisely persuaded the queen to let him attack the giant in his quarters, before he should be prepared to make a proper refistance.

Dorothea's face was overspread with a blush, at these words of Sancho; for sooth to say, her husband Don Fernando had several times, as he thought, unperceived, made free with her lips, as earnest of that reward his affection deserved.)
P. 249.—246.

What an infidel was Sancho! Who, though a fworn fervant to the queen, betrayed her, and

and revealed her secrets; and all because she fuffered the young lord to falute her, and him her husband too. He was a rude rogue, and very unfit to be admitted among persons of high rank, not being able to keep a close tongue in his head: Had it been worse, he would have out with it. The innecent lady blushed because she was discovered playing the part of an affectionate wife, though justifiable and praise worthy; it being thought a bad custom, by those, who pretend to be refined; though I beleive it will be found that fuch delicate mortals have no refinement: And if a man behaves tenderly to his wife in public, or shews any marks of affection, he is styled an infipid mortal, a dupe, an amorous, uxorious fellow. Thus, from a false idea of delicacy, we deceive ourselves, and cease to have any delicacy at all.

And indeed I firmly believe, that every thing in this castle, as you Sir Knight have observed, being conducted by means of enchantment.) P. 250. -247.

Argumentum ad hominem.

When Maritornes and his errant-ship were embracing, till the disappointed carrier parted them, they were doubtless enchanted. So Sancho, likewise, was doubtless under the influence

influence of a charm when the aforesaid Maritornes crept to his bed, hoping to have raised a Novum organum from the conjunction. Nothing is more frequent, than thefe fort of enchantments, which being fometimes taken for real matters, make strange disturbances. Spies, often fee too little, and fometimes too much: It is better, therefore, for them to be uncertain as to what they fee, unless they can prove what they see. Sancho's late discovery was of that nature, that it would have been better for him not to have feen it, as he was obliged to renounce every thing he faw and faid, and acknowledge him felf only compos mentis in the adventure of the blanket.

Having brought the cage into his appartment, they enclosed him in it.) P. 253 .- 249.

This was the last inchantment of the castle, and though it was a wooden one, it answered their purpose as well as the Trojan horse. By means of this, they entered the Mancha, and brought home the long-looked-for lord of the place, to his ancient feat. This conveyance could not be accounted dishonourable, it being the legal house of entertainment for all Knight-errants; who, being vagrants, are provided with fuch receptacles for a night or two, at the public charge.

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Don Quixote seeing himself thus encaged, and placed upon a cart, could not help saying, "many very grave histories have I read, concerning Knight-errants, but never did I read, see, or hear, that enchanted Knights were transported in this manner.) P. 255.—252.

PUT that fortune designed to make our meritorious Knight as famous for his fufferings as for his renowned actions, this wooden entertainment would have been difhonourable. His happy disposition reconciled the matter, when he reflected that the times were turned topfy-turvy; that all gallantry, except what remained in his breaft, was extinct and vanished: That wise men, magicians, and fuch as cherished great undertakings, being all gone and forgotten; courts, palaces, feats, and stages (where actions of this nature were celebrated) were demolished, and turned into humble tenements; and things in general, reduced to fuch a low condition, that the Laplanders let winds upon credit, fortune-tellers expounded for a morfel of bread, almanack-makers obliged to live upon their own predictions, and witches confined in their night rambles to egg-shells; hell affording nothing but an Ignis Fatuus: These levelling times not having left so much as a slying-horse, dragon, or siery chariot.

Upon which he faid to them, "Weep not, worthy ladies; all these disasters are incident to those who choose my profession.") P. 257—254.

This was an unnecessary prohibition, for they only pretended to weep; not but they shed many tears of laughter: And, to say the truth, two of these mourners, when the Don roared and made an out-cry, were at laugh and lye down, and consequently sported with his miseries. Ploratur lachrymis amissa pecunia veris. Had the Knight made an escape, and avoided the score, they then might have howled like an Irish wolf; but secure of the reckoning, the departure of such a guest, rather raised tears of joy than sorrow.

Truly, brother, I am better acquainted with books of chivalry, than with the fummaries of Villalpando.) P. 261.—257.

This canon of Toledo, was a true Toledo blade, and rather a canon of the field than the church: And, doubtless, was preferred for writing or reading romances, instead of possils-

positis. He was not a meer pedantic scholar, or ever so bookish as to break his rest, or disturb his brains with intense study. Books of entertainment, pleased him better than school divinity; and having attained his desires by this means, he paid little regard to Villalpando. He leaped over logic, and as to metaphysics he never touched them; however, fortune made him a preacher, though he was no scholar, not but he persectly understood those books he was conversant with, and was a great proficient, having proceeded from Garagantua to Guzman, and here, to crown all, ended with Quixote.

Mr. Barber, you had better think before you speak: There is something else to do than shaving of beards.) P. 263.—260.

Sancho began to be undeceived, and suspect the imposture of the pretended inchantment: Nothing is more violent than abused simplicity, when once it discovers the cheat. The Squire saw through all their roguery, notwithstanding their masks. Time plucks off all disguises, and renders things in their own likeness. He was also very pressing with the curate, who had a principle hand in this business, and by whose authority the whole design was brought about; but he leaves it to his conscience, which he hopes will perplex

him one day or other, as much as his delustions had confounded him and his master; and as for the confederate barber, who was the torge of the inchantment, he wished the next generation might be eunucks, that there might not be a beard for him to shave, as long as the world stood: And so unkindly did he take these affronts, that in spite of the curate's clerical authority, he was resolved to spay his sows at his return, that he never more might have his title in kind.

Truly, Mr. Curate, I am firmly persuaded that those books of chivalry are very prejudicial in the commonwealth.) P. 264.—260.

The canon, in this discourse, seemed to weaken the credit of these kind of writings, and preferred those which blend instruction with entertainment. But, what prejudice could they do a commonwealth, when the subjects were known to be fabulous? No man is misled, nor any persuaded to believe them as truth: Therefore, they may be confidered as a benefit, for when the minds of the vulgar are not employed in some such amusements, they fall upon matters, they do not understand, and that less concern them, and by this means become troublefome members to church and state; for this reason, it has been accounted good policy to divert fuch

fuch, by licenfing theatres and other places of recreation, in order to prevent their interfereing in things above their capacity, and not of common ventilation. For want of these chimeras, strong delusions have succeeded, and possessed not a few, who, transported with their own imaginations, do not write romances, but act them, and fill the world with real tragedies.

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And if the authors who compose, and the actors who represent them, affirm, that this, and no other method is to be practised, because the multitude must be pleased, &c.) P. 269.—265.

I T was an old faying before the time of Cervantes,

Populo ut placerent, quas fecisset fabulas.

Nay, in the amphitheatrical gladiatures, the lives of the captives, lay at the mercy of the vulgar.

> et verso pollice vulgi, Quemlibet occidunt popalariter.

And although the only laureat of our stage (having composed an excellent play, but X 3

not of equal applause) fell on his knees, and gave thanks, that he had transcended the capacity of the vulgar; yet, his protestation against their ignorance, was not sufficient to vindicate the misapplication of the argument, for the judicious part of the auditory condemned it equally, with those who did not understand it: Not that the comedy wanted its trodesse, et delectare, had it been exhibited to a scholastic confluence. But we do not go to study at a play-house, but to see what eafily infinuates itself into our capacities. Lingua, that learned comedy of the contention betwixt the five fenses for the superiority, is not to be profituted to the vulgar, being only fit for an academy.

Comedy, according to Tully, ought to be the mirrour of life, the exemplar of manners, and picture of truth; whereas those that are represented in this age, are mirrours of absurdity, exemplars of folly, and pictures of lewdness.*) P. 270.—266.

The Spanish stage, as well as the French and English, was greatly corrupted; partly through

^{*} Congreve, Vanburgh, and some other of our English dramatic poets, are liable to part of the curate's censure in the text: Nor is Shakespeare wholly

through the effeminacy of the times, but chiefly by unskilful authors: The Spanish scene, is principally sictions upon heretics, and as they rendered them horrid, odious, and inhuman to the people, so they were never introduced without a hell, suries, and strange torments provided for them. But it once happened, at a representation of one of these plays, before some strangers not Catholics, that the judicatory of cardinals, friars, and Jesuits, who were to condemn the heretics, being very burdensome, broke the judgment seat, and all fell into hell before they had arraigned the

wholly free. A great author will not consult so much what will please, as what ought to please. But one great bar to the success of dramatic poetry, has arisen from our theatres being generally managed by ignorant, unskilful persons, who have been more pleased with extravagant absurdities, than real excellencies.

The English stage, however, since the time of our author, has been greatly improved, in every essential excellence: And to the honour of the present times, is purged of its immortality. For many of these improvments, even envy must acknowledge, we are beholding to the judgement and good conduct of Mr. David Garrick: Nor is it easy to determine, whether we owe most to him as an actor, or a manager.

schismatics; which caused such a laughter among those of a contrary opinion, that their mirth had almost condemned them to the inquisition. The French, till lately, were so loose and obscene, that Aretine's pictures might have been represented without giving offence. Nor are the incongruities and abfurdities of our own stage less excusable; being used to historical arguments, which could not be dispatched but by a chorus, or the descending of some god, or magician: Every act being supported by some long narrative, which made apology for every thing that was improper or unnatural.

Now, all those inconveniencies, with many more that I do not choose to mention, might be prevented, if there was at court some person of taste and learning, appointed to examine every dramatic performance before its appearance on the stage.) P. 273.-269.

An Inigo Jones for scenes; a Shakespeare and a Johnson for plays, produced great improvements on the stage. The pieces these great poets wrote, had language, dependency of parts, possibility of plot, &c. and were not to be equalled: Nor were they ashamed to permit their being printed, fince which they are read with as much fatisfaction, as they gave in the representation. CHAP.

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lucky reading of books of chivalry can have so far impared your judgment, as that you should now believe yourself enchanted, and give credit to other illusions of the same kind, which are as far from being true, as truth is distant from falsehood?)
P. 280.—277.

IT was not the fate of Den Quixote alone, to pin his belief on the credit and authority of other men: And he might have asked the canen, upon what grounds or proofs he justified the numerous legends of saints in his church, and the wonders done by them? or how he was certain they ever existed? There not being any authentic account of the witnesses to the strange things they performed.* He slew to an implicit faith in the church, and would not suffer his auditors and converts to question the truth of what he believed, or pretended to believe. The Don desired fair play, that the authors of his books might be believed to be the authors of what they wrote,

^{*} Our author means to ridicule the absurdities in the Romish church, and might have enlarged with great success and truth.

as well as the canon's; for he could not be persuaded, that Knight-errants of same and antiquity would fpend fo much time and study in composing lies, and putting cheats on their readers. The canon was impowered to palliate his obtrusions upon his disciples, with a-Piæ fraudes, or Apocryphæ fabulæ, which, though they are not fundamental truths, yet they were fignificant helps to the end he aimed at.

Will any earthly eloquence make a man believe that a story of the infanta Floripes, and Guy of Burgundy, is false; or that of Fierabras, with the bridge of Mantible, which happened in the time of Charlemagne, and I vow to God! is as true as that the sun shines at noon-day? &c.) P. 283.-279.

No doubt, as true as that of Guy of Warwick and the boar, or the great defeats of the giant Colybrand. So likewise, if we were disposed to be foolishly credulous, might we believe many improbable and false stories. The sign of St. George, in almost every town in England, convinces us of the certainty of fuch a person, and his famous acts; for fince the defeat of the dragon, which was flain, being then pregnant, none of her issue, nor so much as any of her species, have been feen or heard of in this country. In like manner, there are no spiders in Ireland, fince St.

St. Patrick caught one upon his face, and anathematized them all into England. Nor are the works of Jaques of Spain less credited, who, by his holy life and prayer, effected, that the universal monarchy should, in time, come to be fettled in the Austrian family, about the period when the Indians should be converted to their religion; a portuberancy of the lip being the certain fign of the true heir to the crown: That oranges, lemons, and Malaga raisins, should breed as good blood as beef, mutton, and veal: And lastly, that the Knighterrants of Iberia, should be fortified to live without meat for many days. Whofoever, therefore, shall attempt to overthrow the veracity of those books of errantry, will find it an endless labour, they having so many champions to defend them: The world swarms with men of this profession, who, under the notion of relieving the oppressed, advance themselves to the pinnacle of fame and honour. Pity it is, that chronologers have taken no notice of them, as from this defect, it is uncertain, in what age those heroic spirits flourished. All other histories would be of little value, if some good antiquary would make it his business to derive the history of these gallant men from the Knights of the Golden Fleece, to the Knights of the Rueful-Countenance.

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For my own part, I can safely aver, that since I professed the order of Knight-errantry, I have been valiant, courteous, liberal, well-bred, generous, civil, daring, good-humoured, and a patient endurer of toils, captivities, and inchantment.) P. 289.—286.

THIS proof, teste seipso, was backed with no other authority than his own, and it was well known, notwithstanding his boasting, that he durst not venture to do any great thing. But he might, with propriety, take fome of these attributes and qualifications to himself, being valiant, ferendo; which pallive fortitude is most errantick; liberal, promittendo; courteous, recepiendo, denying nothing that was given him; generous, but not generosus, and that, in genere, not in specie; civil, fince his confinement in the cage; patient (perforce as we may fay) under imprisonment and inchantment, revera, and plerunque; and as Julius Casar of old, obtained Gallia, dando, accipiendo, ignoscendo, so Don Quixote, by giving nothing, forgiving any thing, and taking every thing, in time might have made Sancha Panza earl of Terra Icognita.

I wish to God I had this earldom, as soon as I should find understanding to manage it; for I have

as big a foul as my neighbours, and as much body as he that has more, &c.) P. 290.—287.

Whenever he obtained the government of an island by his master's valour, he would have been able to manage it. His frame of body was well fuited for fitting and fleeping in judicature; and that mind, that was able to inform that body, would take informations at leifure. The power and reward was all Sancho looked for; the abilities and execution he left to others. The place was to qualify the man, and not the man to be qualified for the place: Appearances generally deceive us, and therefore it is difficult to judge by them. Efor was deformed in person (as some say) but very fenfible and witty; and we feldom meet with a person with any natural defect, but what is amply recompensed by some extraordinary inward faculty. Galba was very bald on his head, but it was well lined within. Cicero had a wen on his nose, yet he smelt out Cataline's conspiracy. Casar had none, and could not discover that against himself. Vitellius was robust and corpulent, but graced the chair of state much better than spruce Otho. So every one that beheld Sancho's graceful perfon, would doubtless have confessed, that there was enough of him for a governor of the largest island in the world.

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While her keeper seizing her by the horns, accosted her in these words, as if she had been possessed of sense and understanding: "Ah! you spotted wanton, what a rambler you have become of late; the wolves will feast upon you one day.—What is the matter with you, my pretty child? Yet what else can it be, but that you are a semale, and consequently inconstant! a plague upon your disposition, and all those you resemble.") P. 291. 288.

It is furprifing, that the Don did not imagine the spotted goat to be an inchanted lady; and, that from what he heard her keeper fay, he was not incited to rescue her. He affaulted the flock of sheep upon less provoca-. tion. Could the defender of the fex fland unmoved at all this? Of all the adventures he met with, this was the most promising; therefore, he should have said to her, " Inchanted . lady (for by this miscreant's words, I guess you to be fuch) unfold the cause of your change and flight. I am not ignorant of the like mutation in your fex. I but very lately was inchanted, and I know not how foon I may return to that condition; therefore, speak quickly, while my knightly capacity lasts, that I may restore you to your original greatness. This shall be instantaneously effected, if I may have but one word from you, fignifying your defire of being relieved by the valour of my arm". How this fancy escaped him, is miraculous; unless his wooden study had consused his ideas, and blunted the edge of his aspiring soul.

.C H A P. XXIV.

THIS chapter, in the history, contains the story which the goat-herd related to the conductors of Don Quixote: See page 294, in Smollett, or 291, in Jarvis.—Mr. Guyton made no remarks on it, but translated it into miserable verse, which the Editor thought proper to omit, as he has done the stories of Cardenio, Dorothea, &c. &c.

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He that shewed himself most liberal in compliment, was Don Quixote, who said to him, "truly, brother goatherd, were it possible for me to undertake any new adventure, I would forthwith set forward in your behalf, and deliver Leandra from that monastery.) P. 301.—297.

HE was under inchantment, or he would have fallied forth on this adventure; for there is no time but in cases of this nature,

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when a Knight-errant is not offenfive and defensive: That is, either beating, or being beaten. But it was too much at once, to be at war with men and devils. Necromancers, forcerers, witches, wizards, and the like, being of the train-band of hell, were no small enemies to Don Quixote. No man of that valiant, honourable, and desperate profession, was ever oftner or longer under the captivity of their diabolical forces: Yet, fome wifer than others, will laugh the opinion out of countenance, and maintain that there are no witches nor witchcrafts, inchanters, nor inchantments, spirits nor familiars; against the received sentences of tribunals, and the confessions of divers condemned persons.*

^{*}Our author was, undoubtedly, a man of too much fense to believe the reality of witchcraft, and therefore, could not be serious in this last passage, but meant it as ridicule. Though in the time of his writing, there were but sew, who doubted the reality of witchcraft and inchantment; but now, we have an act of parliament against them; which ought to be as great an argument for disbelieving, as it is for supporting the credit of some other tales, equally as absurd and preposterous.

And laying hold of his collar with both his bands, would certainly have strangled him, if Sancho Panza had not, at that instant, sprung to his master's assistance, and pulling his antagonist backwards, tumbled him over the table, where plates, cups, victuals, wine, and all went to wreck.) P. 302.—298.

Sancho would have proved a fecond Fluellin in this scuffle, the pillage of such battles being his property, if the eminent danger of his mafter's throat had not proved an utter enemy to his own: If the goatherd had not almost throtled his master, Sancho, in a short time, would have choaked himself with the ingurgitated reliques of the canon's provision. This was a Lapithæan feast, where there was more meat than manners, and very unlike the entertainment of Tantalus, for instead of flying from their lips, it flew at them in fuch quantities, that there was more meat for their mouths, than mouths for their meat: Non offendimur ambulante cænâ, is understood when one dish dances round the table; but this was a running banquet, as if it had been served up in plates of quickfilver.

They heard a trumpet.) P. 302.-293.

That which at other times animates to battle, here dissolved the fray: The noble Y 2 found

found of that warlike instrument, recalled shame into the combatants, who, full of flesh wounds, croffed the cudgels the right way, and fell to picking quarrels with their teeth, their bellies having been the fufferers during this encounter, and were not to be eafily satisfied after so great a spoil. The Don, according to custom, imagined the trumpet called for his affiftance, and that the princess Micomicona was in diffress from the infults and invasions of the giant Pandasilando, and, therefore, had fent this fummons for the reflorer of her kingdom: Or elfe, that it was the trumpet of fame, to blow him honourably home after his many glorious victories. trumpet it undoubtedly was, which blew no good to the Knight, for it proved the last trumpet to his day of judgment, as will be feen by the fequel.

He was even deaf to the cries of Sancho, who bauled with great vociferation, "Where are you going Signor Don Quixote? What devil possesses and provokes you to all against our Catholic faith!) P. 304.-301.

Contra Romanam Catholicam fidem, he should have said; for he and his master were Lutherians by their stomachs. Sancho laboured in vain; the whole council of Trent could

not have persuaded the Don from the attempt, being at that instant siercer than the council of Dort, searing no anathemas, bulls, nor bears. Had this action been in later times, he might have been dubbed a Knight of the reformation, and from the success of this adventure, as great a harvest of conversion might have been expected, as was from the fall of Mahomet's tomb among the Jews and Insidels; which tomb has stood on the ground at Mecca, everssince the imbalming of that impostor; notwithstanding it is a piece of Alcoran faith, that he hangs in the air in an iron chest, supported by the equal attraction of two loadstones.

He drew his fword, and without uttering another word, attacked the bearers; one of whom, leaving his share of the load to his companions, opposed himself to this aggressor, brandishing a fork or pole, on which (when they were wearied) they supported the bier, &c.) P. 305.—302.

This fellow stood not for an image, but was a true Catholic, and proved his faith by his works; being resolved to try which was the greater pageant, that which they carried, or the Don supported by Rozinante. In this unfortunate adventure, pitchfork prevailed against sword, and porter against Knighterrant. The Don, by one unhappy blow,

was deprived of the use of his shoulder; a judgment (no doubt in specie) punishing that part which first listed itself against the idol. Nec enim lex justion illa est. &c.

The cries and groans of Sancho revived his master.) P. 307.—304.

It would have been a question worthy Sancho, whether in this deliquium, his foul was transported? As also, what more eminent place was prepared for Knight-errants, than any other-order? Whether he did not see many heroes, whose histories incited him to this profession, advanced according to the merits of their undertakings in the other world? What habits Amadis de Gaul, and Amadis of Greece wore? Or, whether there were any investitures at all, till the complete number of Knights were accomplished by his departure, to preside over them as king or . emperor? But Sancho was too overjoyed at his recovery, to think of these things. The Don, Knight-errant like, attributed those misventures and fufferings, to the abscence and long distance betwixt his lady Dukinea and himself, and, therefore, as an antidote in futuro, was willing to be conveyed nearer to her, as fast as the cart would carry him: For, as all recoveries and victories are imputed to the fovereign aspects of their ladies, so their defeats

and croffes are attributed to their aversions, or some obnoxious interposition.

"You are right, Sancho," replied Don Quixote, "and it will be very prudent in us to let the malign influence of the stars pass over.)
P. 307.—304.

They were not obliged to fight and conquer against the influence of the stars; for if once a Knight-errant (like Ben. Johnson's braggadocio*) is planet-struck, he never returns a blow; it is wisdom then, not valour, must manage the business. Sapiens dominabitur astris. And certainly if ever Knights were born under malignant planets, Quixote was. Venus was cross-legged; Mars, retrograde; Sol, in nubibus; Jupiter, excentric; Saturn, fullen; Luna and Mercury only conspiring to assist him home again: She, because he was her companion in the night; the other, for his unwearied errantry in the day; infomuch, that if ever the number should be augmented, he is in election to make the eighth planet. What influence the Septentriones had upon him at this time, is eafily imagined, as he was now upon the fecond hoist into the cart: And if he had not been provided, there was an Auriga for him.

^{*} Captain Bobadil, in the Comedy of EVERY MAN in his HUMOUR.

The waggoner yoking his oxen, accommodated the Knight with a truss of hay, and with his usual phlegm jogged on according to the priess's directions, till at the end of six days, they arrived at their own village.) P. 307—304.

Rozinate envied his master's cushion, and wished to have changed places with him. This was the fad conclusive adventure of this famous Knight; who, indeed, deserved a better Sella Curulis; but his knowledge in the miscarriages of his predecessors, made him flight these indignities; and when he confidered Marius in the lake, Orlando in bedlam, Amadis de Gaul in a dungeon, he of Greece in shackles, the valiant Gateor forced to run the gauntlet, the Knight of the Burning Peftle in Cornelius' tub, and most of their Squires like poor Sancho, at the cart's tail, he played with the hay he fat upon (the emblem of human frailty) faying, as if he ate it chopped, nothing more than, Non sum majoribus impar. Which fome thought he spoke in illusion to Bajazet, who was carried about in this manner by Tamerlane: Others imagined he called to mind, his Manchegan ancestors, who were peafants and plowmen, and not disdaining the contemplation of his original, refolved to begin that world again, and invert the poem to Virgil's Eneids.

Ille

Ille ego qui quondam Mavortis, terror in armis, Ad patriam redeo, ut parerent arva Colono.

which, though not literally, answers our purpose to translate, as follows:

Since my design for errantry is broke,
I'll still subdue, tho' oxen under yoke;
Nor shall this cage my vast ambition bound,
I'll fall to plow, and so I'll tear the ground.

Sancho Panza's wife, who had good intimation that he was gone with Don Quixote in quality of his Squire, hearing of his return, ran strait to her husband, and the first question she asked was, whether or not the ass was in good health?) P. 308—305.

The question serving for ass, man, or master; Sancho replied to its double sense, and said, "The animal was in the better condition of the two." Poor Sancho's ears were fallen, for this dishonourable return crossed all his hopes, and made him ashamed to see his wife, as he well might, who expecting to be a queen at least, was obliged to remain Joan Panza still: However, she thought, as it was no better, it was well it was no worse, and that he brought himself and the ass home again.

But with regard to his death and burial, he could obtain no information; and must have remained entirely ignorant of that event, had he not luckily

luckily met with an old physician, who had in his custody a leaden box, &c.) P. 310.—307.

Who this old physician could be, is hard to conjecture, being a great antiquary, as appears by his delight in these monuments and reliques of *Don Quixote*, unless it was *Dellues*, of whom the following story is said to be authentic.

Dellues was fo famous throughout the kingdom of Spain for his great skill in physic, that just before the time of his decease, he was requested by a friend, not to bury with him the means whereby he became fo eminent. To this he answered, "That the same with which he lived was great, but as to his critical knowledge, it might eafily be transmitted to another;" and then disclosed the secret. He had a Fortune-Phylic Book, which contained the names of most disorders, with their cures: As patients came to him for advice, he withdrew for a time, and in that interval, threw the dice on the list of the diseases, and whereever the chance fell, that was the patient's disorder: He then threw again on the list of remedies, and where the dice rested was the cure. This was his method, which he followed to his end, and it was the end of many: But the number of cures furmounting his miscarriages, his bad casts went for nothing. His method of practice being short and easy, he had the more leifure to confult these old records,

records, amongst which, he at last found those of the Mancha; out of which he gathered a few elegies and epitaphs upon Don Quixote, Dulcinea, Rozinante, and Sancho Panza.

Here end Mr. Gayton's notes: And it is much to be regreted, he did not continue them through the second part of this celebrated romance, as it was not only published, but translated into English long before the date of this book. Should these meet with a favourable reception, the Editor proposes publishing a volume of original notes on the continuation, which will complete the work.

The history of Don Quixote, in point of ingenuity and invention, is equal to any thing the mind of man ever produced. Cervantes was an exalted genius, and has shewed himself a man of knowledge, judgment, and fine tafte, possessed with abundance of wit and humour; which talents rendered him a great writer, both in profe and verse: and the delicacy of his manners, is as apparent as that of his writing, of which he has here given numberless instances. He judged right, in making his hero return to his found mind before his death, as also in giving an account of his death; for the fame reason which Mr. Addison gave for killing his Sir Roger; for fear any one else should murder him. The faults in this inimitable romance, are neither numerous nor

important: But there feems to be neither humour nor ingenious design in his mentioning the sage Cid Hamet Benengeli, as the author of Don Quixote, and there is too much mention made of him.

Cervantes has been accused, of taking too great liberty in quoting the gospel lightly, in many places, but particularly, where he makes Don Quixote declaim in praise of arms *; and also to have meant to ridicule the Christian religion. This feems to be a false and malicious suggestion; since he was known to be a person of strict morals and exemplary piety. He, doubtless, frequently intended to expose the folly of superstition, and madness of enthufiasm: but seems a friend to true religion, by his enmity to the roguery of Romish priestcraft, in its impositions on the minds of men, by making ridiculous ceremonies, and unneceffary penances, articles of faith. That the profane madness of wild enthusiasm might afford him some hints, for many of the extravagant actions of Don Quixote; or, that by an account of fuch romantic actions, he meant to ridicule the absurdity of enthusiastic folly and bigotry, is very probable: This was laudable, and ought to have raifed him superior to calumny and detraction; but envy is the

constant attendant, and frequently the only reward of exalted genius. A few instances, will suffice to prove what is said, above.

Let the attentive reader consider the passage where Don Quixote demanded a confession from the merchants, * that Dulcinea was the most beautiful damsel in the whole world, and judge whether a similar conduct is not practised by Knights-errant, in religion? And really Cervantes here feems to ridicule the prefumption and tyranny of the Romish church. And on the ferutiny into his library, + there are many instances of ridicule on superstition and credulity. The extravagant penance which Don Quixote imposes on himself on the brown mountain 1 in imitation of Beltenebros, is plainly a fatirical stroke on religious penances. There are many who are enthusiasts and madmen in religion, who like Don Quixote, talk very well on other subjects. When he talks on any subject but Knight-errantry, he speaks like a polite, sensible, judicious man; which is the case with many who never surmounted the prejudices of a superstitious education.

^{*} Chap. IV. Book I. Vol. I. + Chap. VI. Book I. Vol. I. † Chap. XI. Book III. Vol. I.



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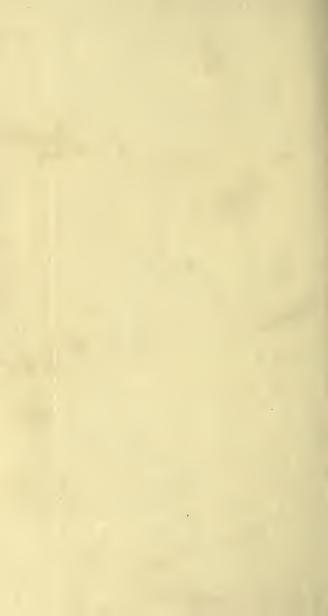
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